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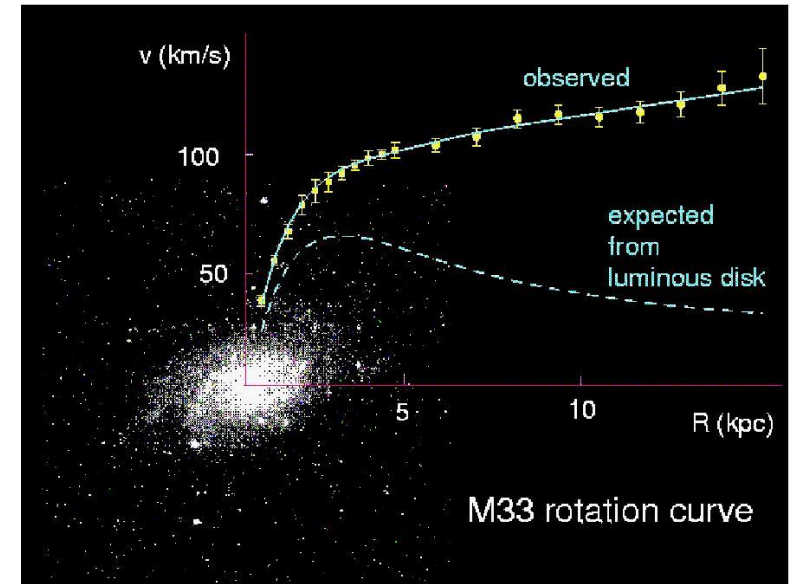
Outline of NS-DM Talk

1. Dark matter and dark interactions in the **dark dark** sector.
2. Dynamics of DM collection in neutron stars.
3. Neutron star bounds on non-annihilating bosons.
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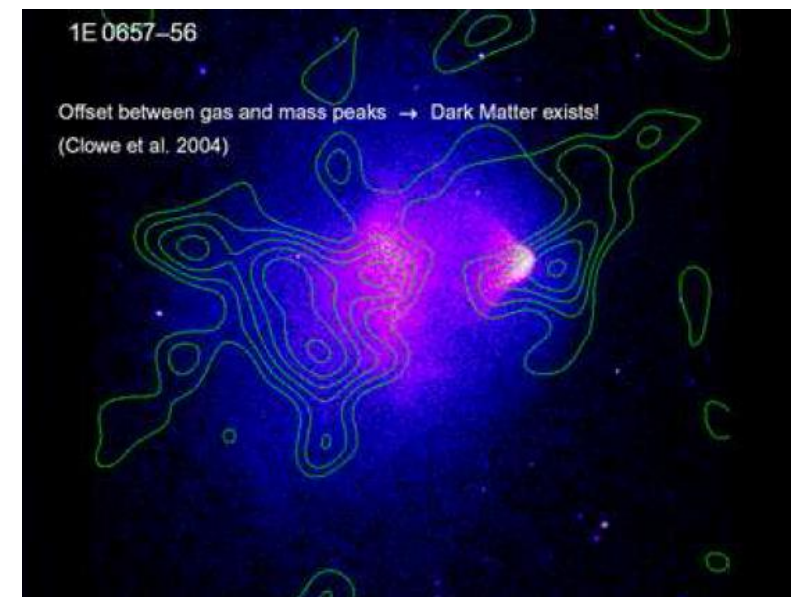
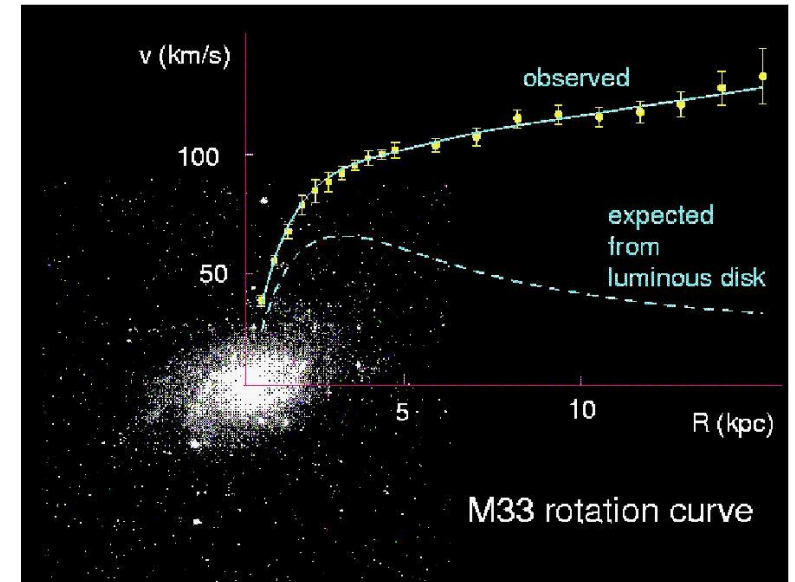
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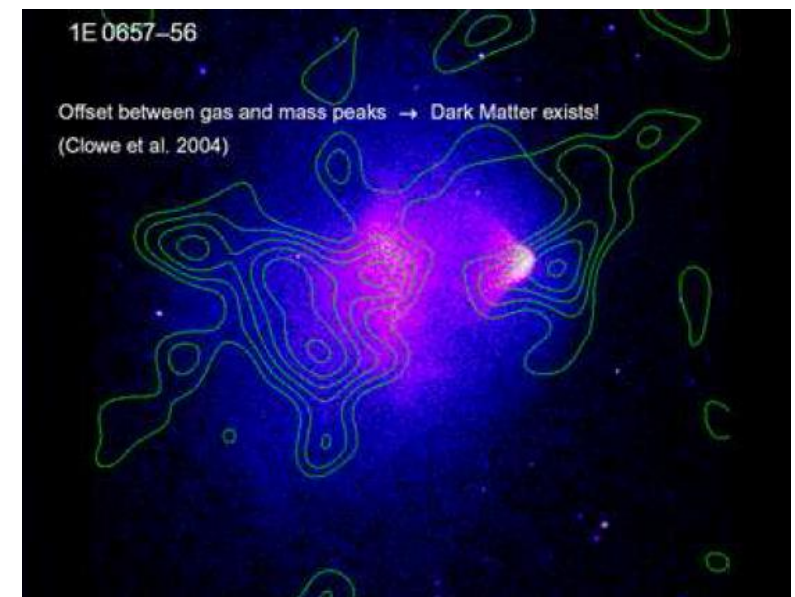
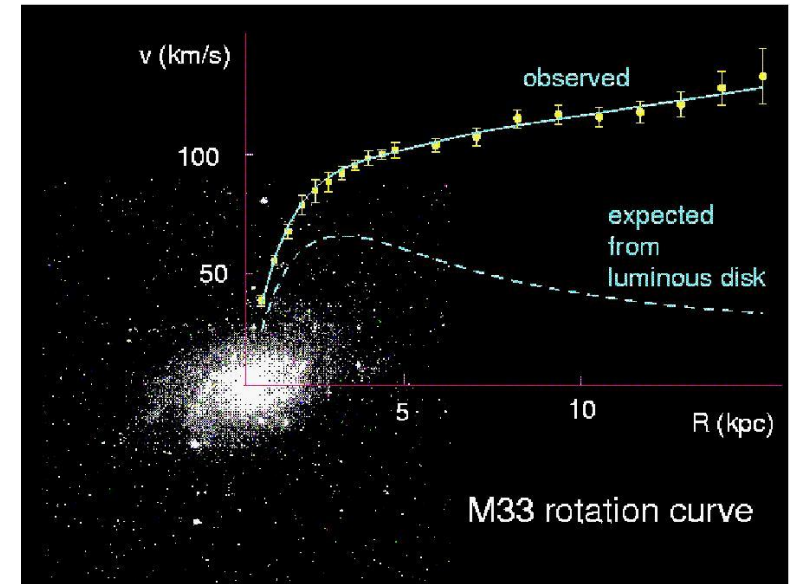
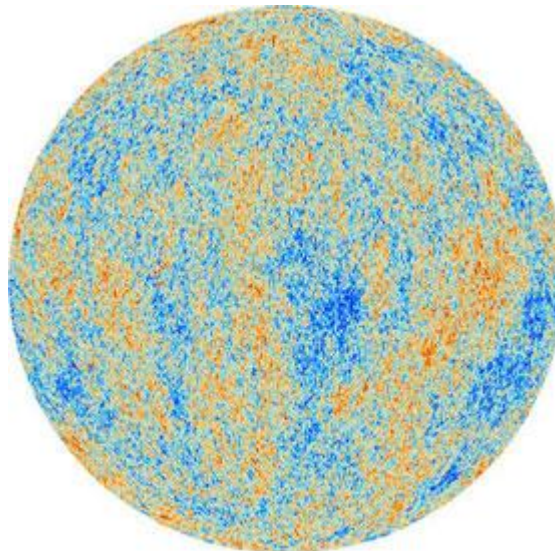
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- Λ CDM fits of **Planck** (WMAP), large scale galaxy distribution, type 1a SN, and BAO data
 - 20% total energy
 - ~5:1 ratio with VM



Dark matter has a gravitational interaction, the exciting question is, what other interactions might it have?

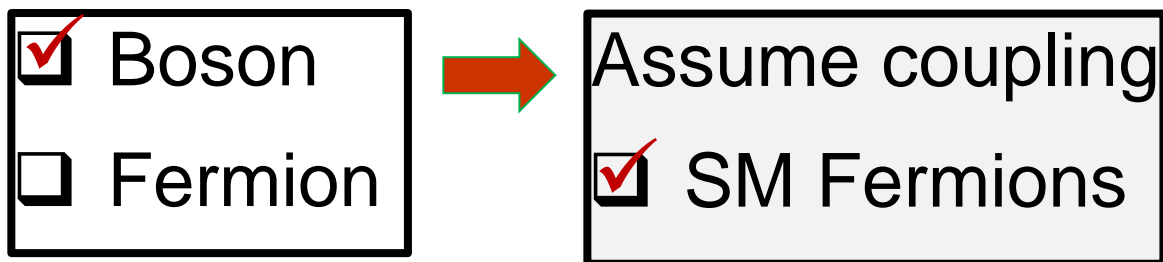
Dark Matter Checklist

- ☐ Mass
- ☐ Boson
- ☐ Fermion
- ☐ Stability

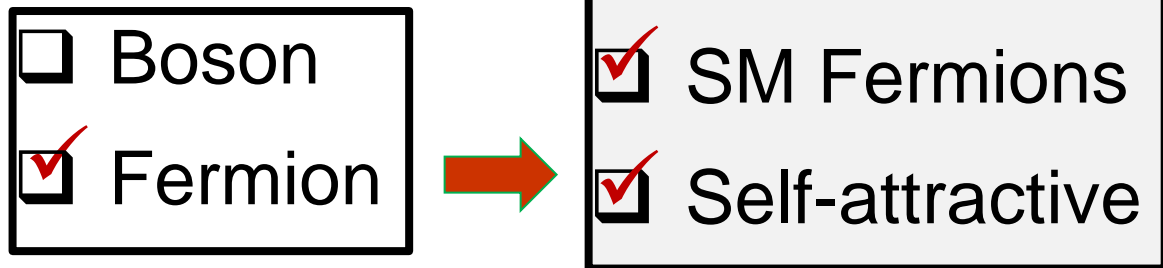
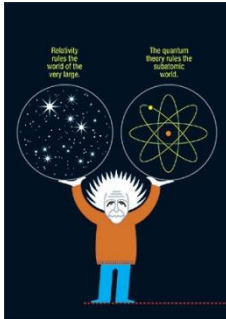
Couplings

- ☒ Gravity
- ☐ With Standard Model
 - ☐ Weak Interactions
 - ☐ Higgs
 - ☐ Gluon, Photon, W, Z
 - ☐ Fermions
- ☐ Self-coupling
- ☐ Annihilation
- ☐ Decay

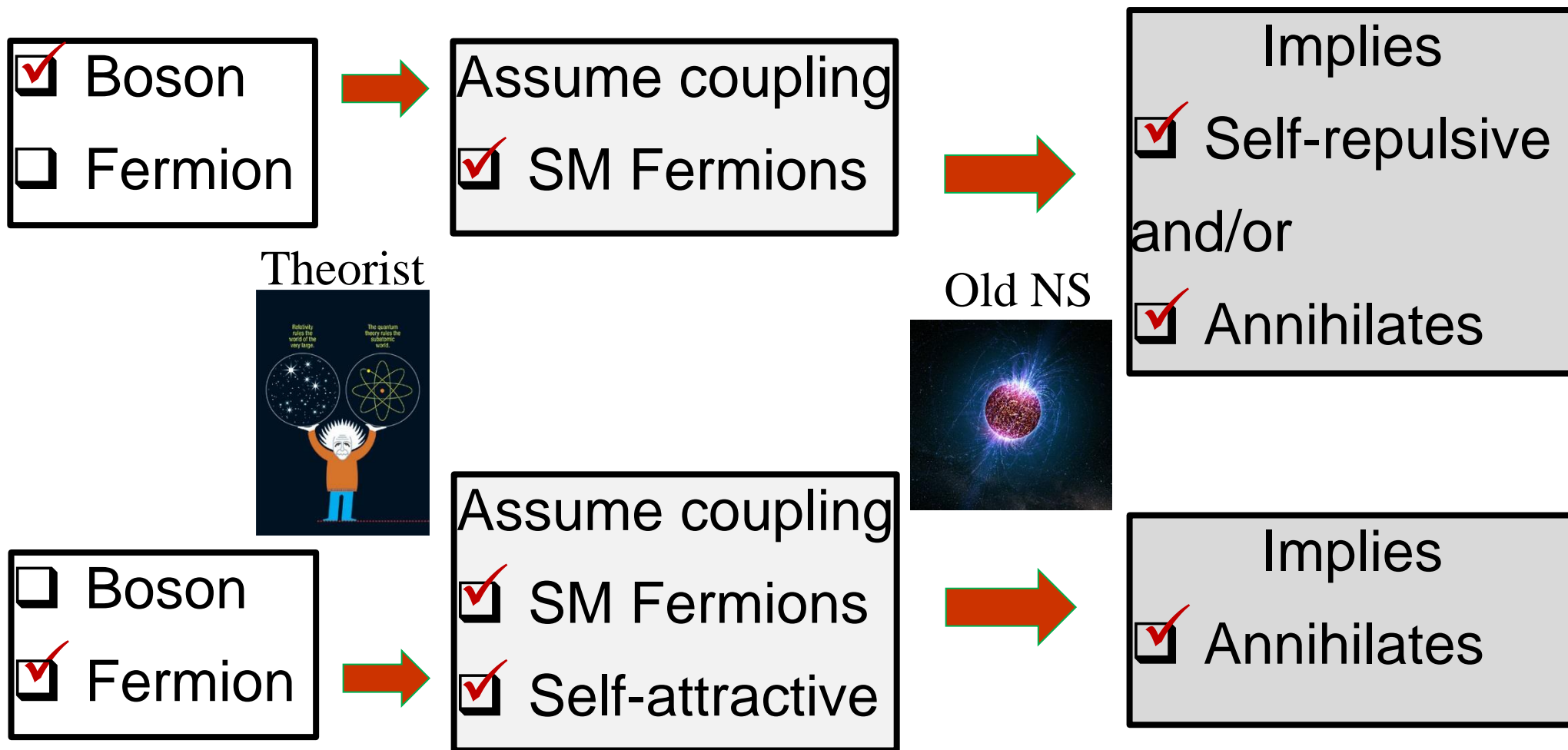
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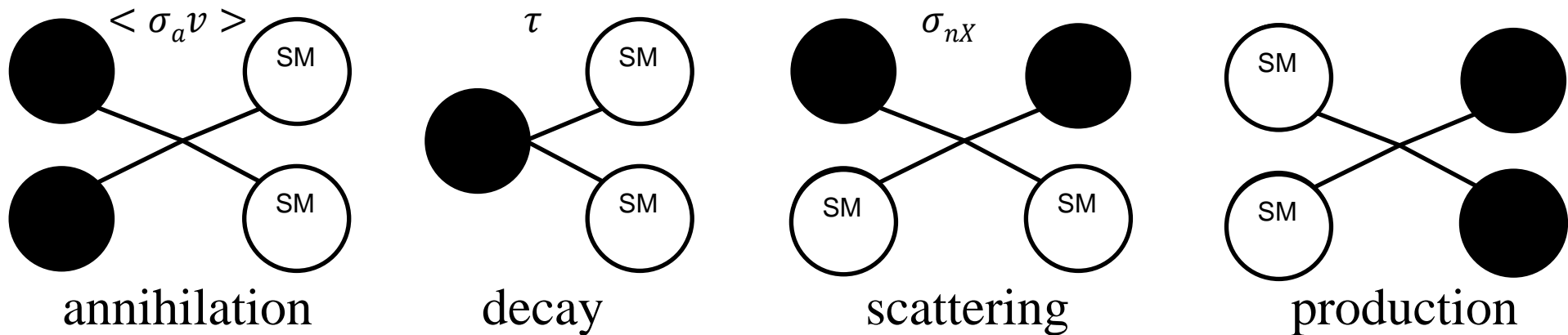


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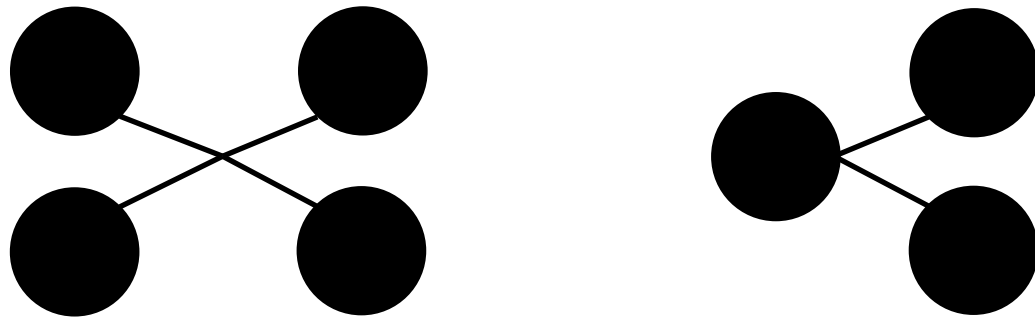


Interactions

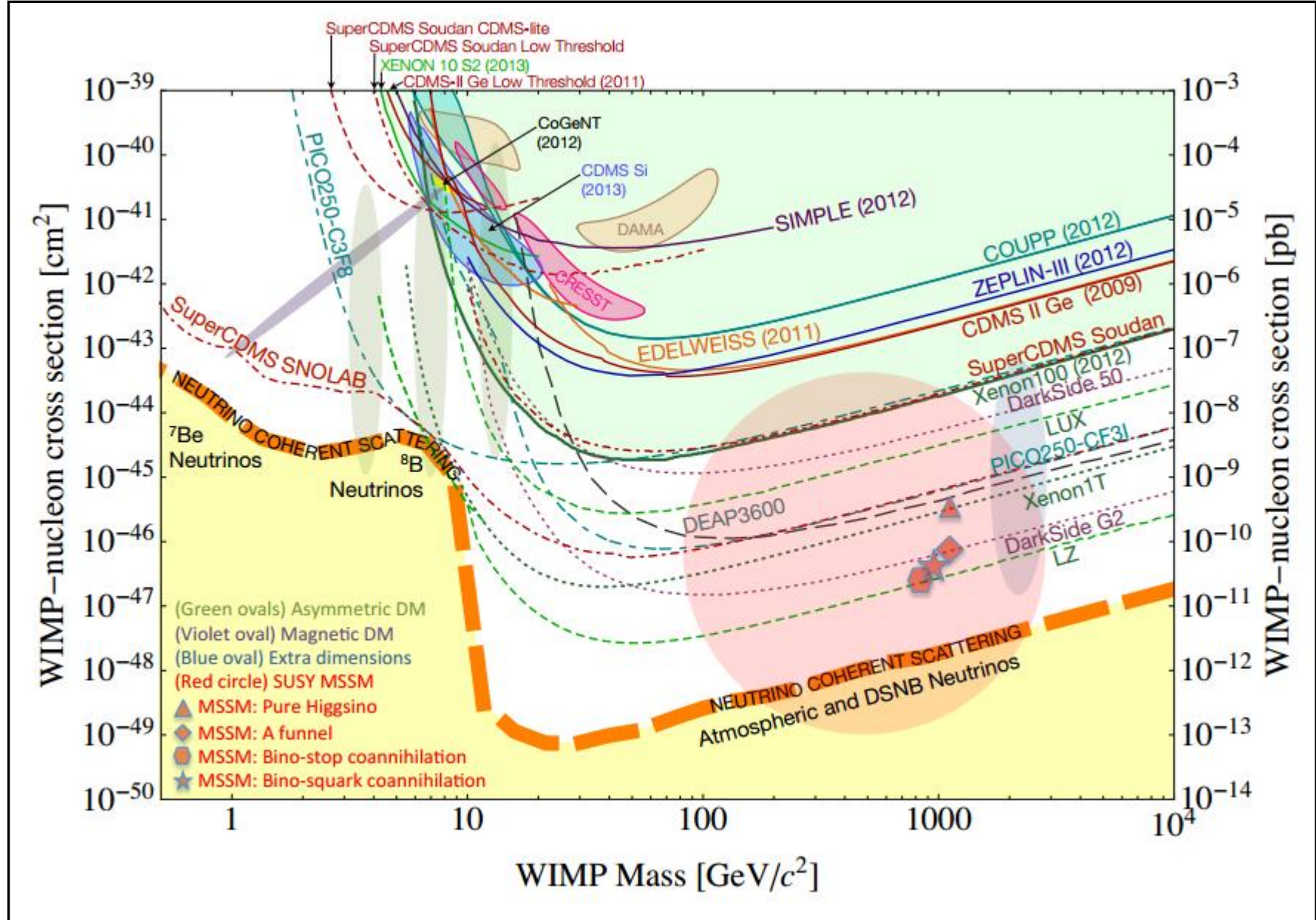
Signals of dark matter at **satellites**, **space stations**, **colliders**, **vats of cold inert gas**, **semiconductors with extremely well understood backgrounds**...



Exclusively dark **dark sector** interactions also have phenomenological consequences: **halo structure**, **dwarf galaxy population**, **relic abundance**, **separation of gas and mass in bullet clusters**...



Signals and Constraints - Direct



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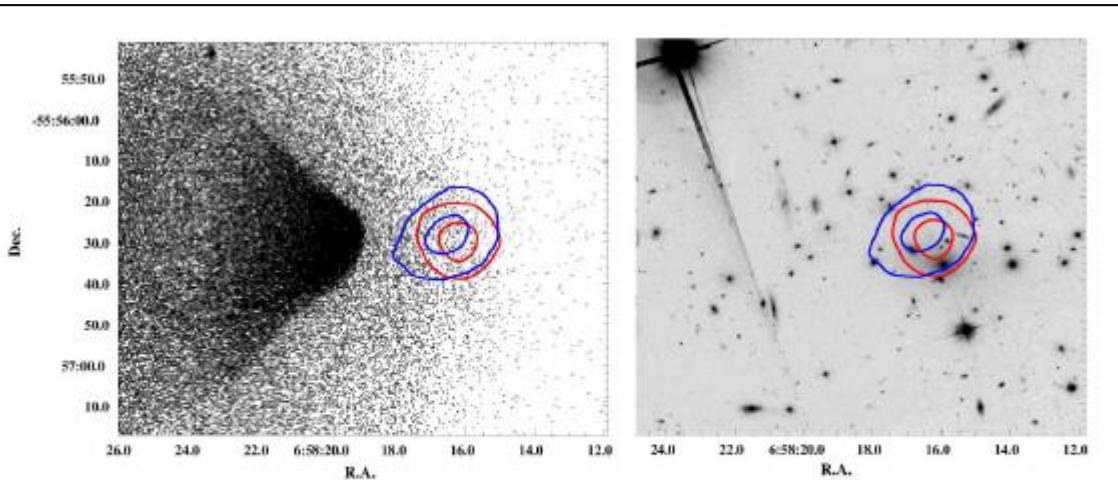


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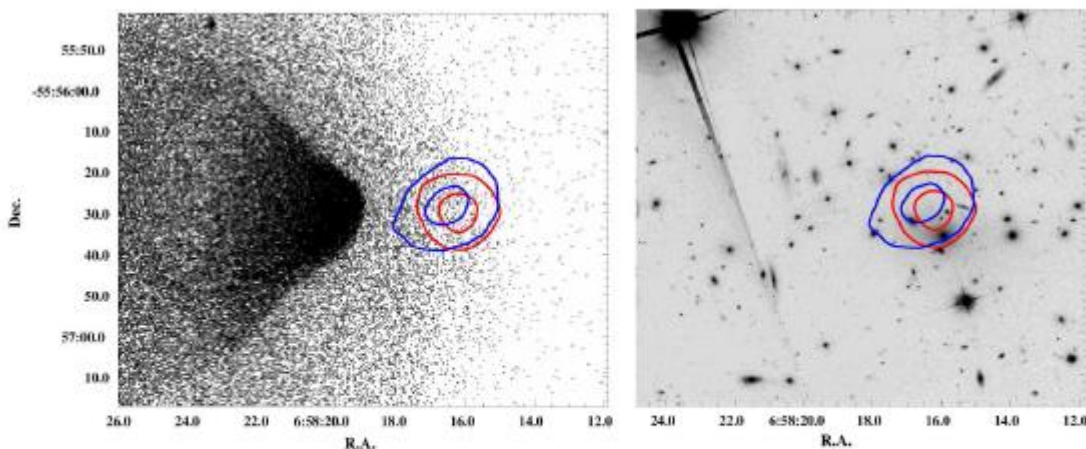


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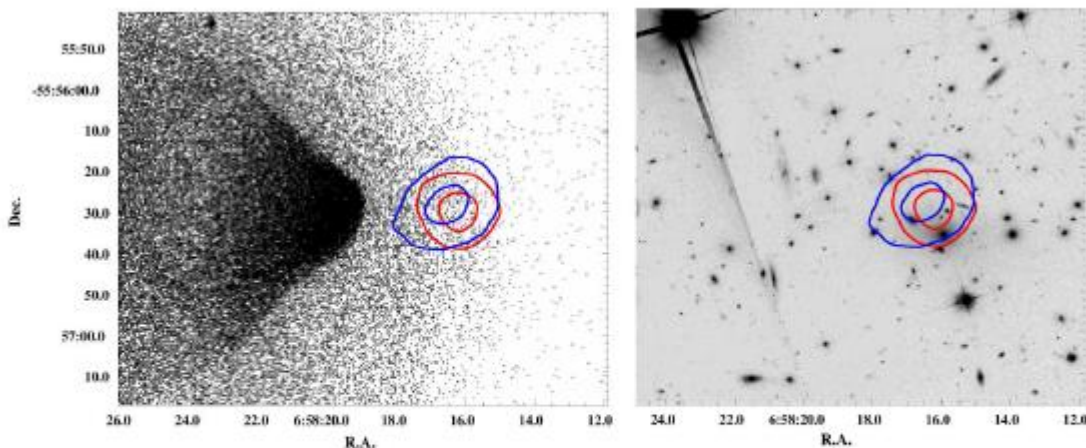


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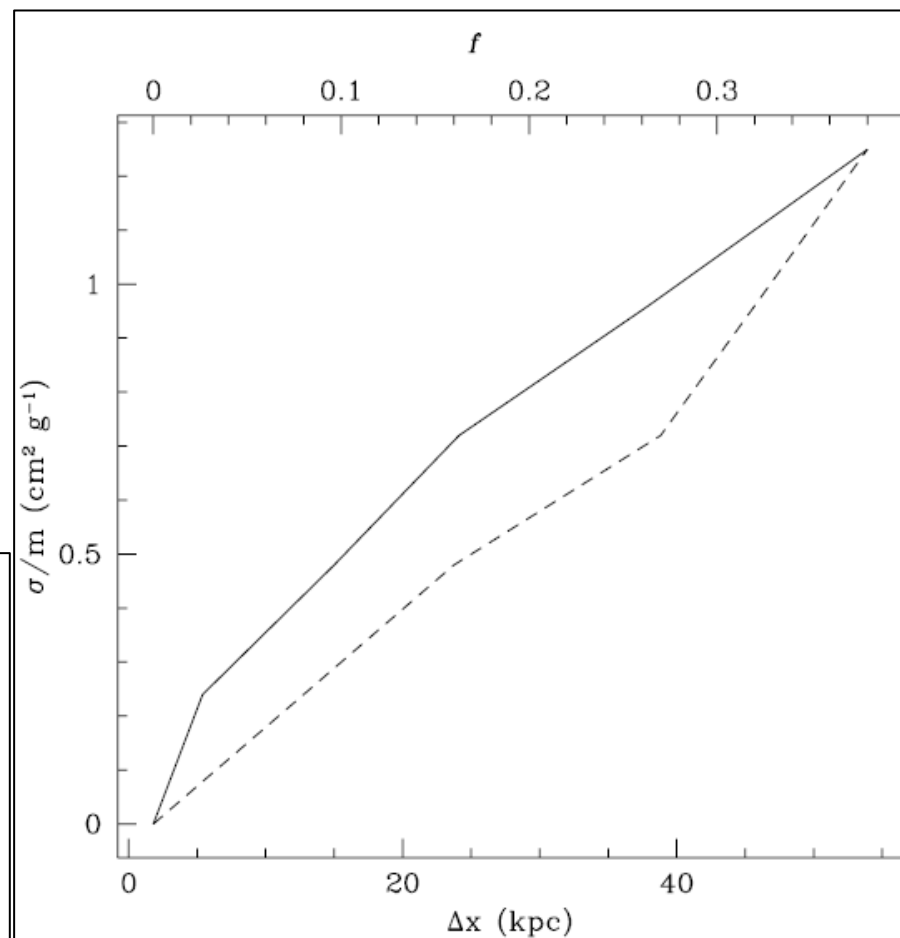


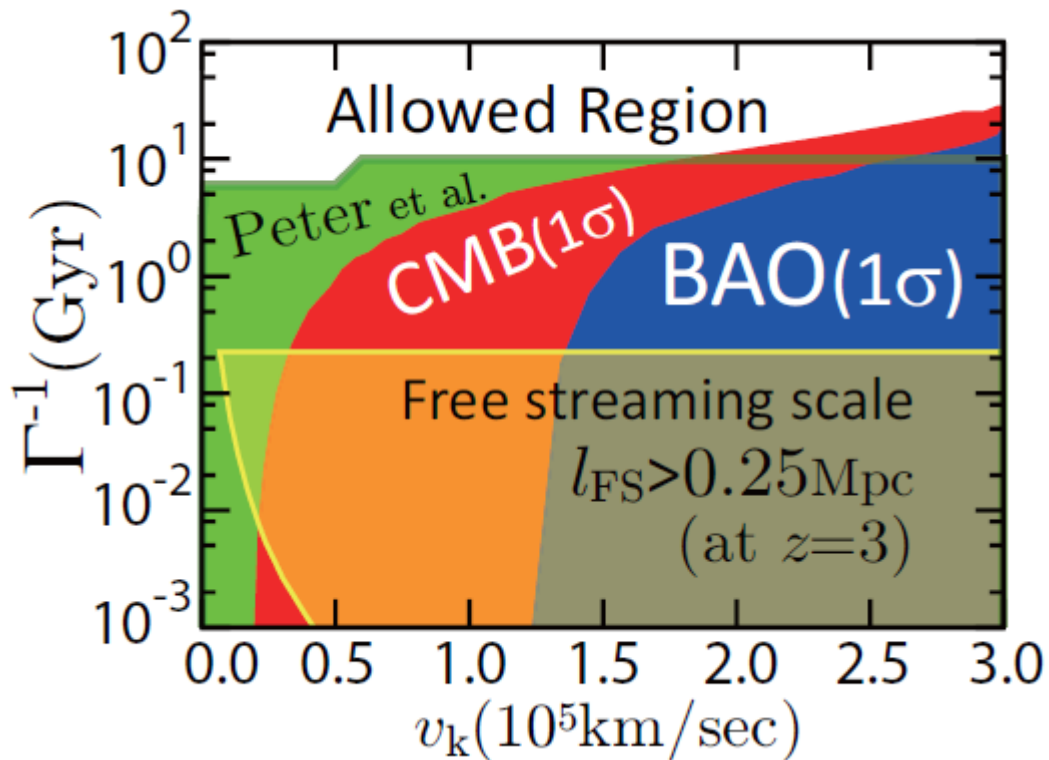
Fig. 5.— The dependence of the subcluster galaxy and total mass centroid offset (Δx , solid line) and the fractional change in the subcluster M/L ratio (f , dashed line) on σ/m . Based on the values given in Table 2.

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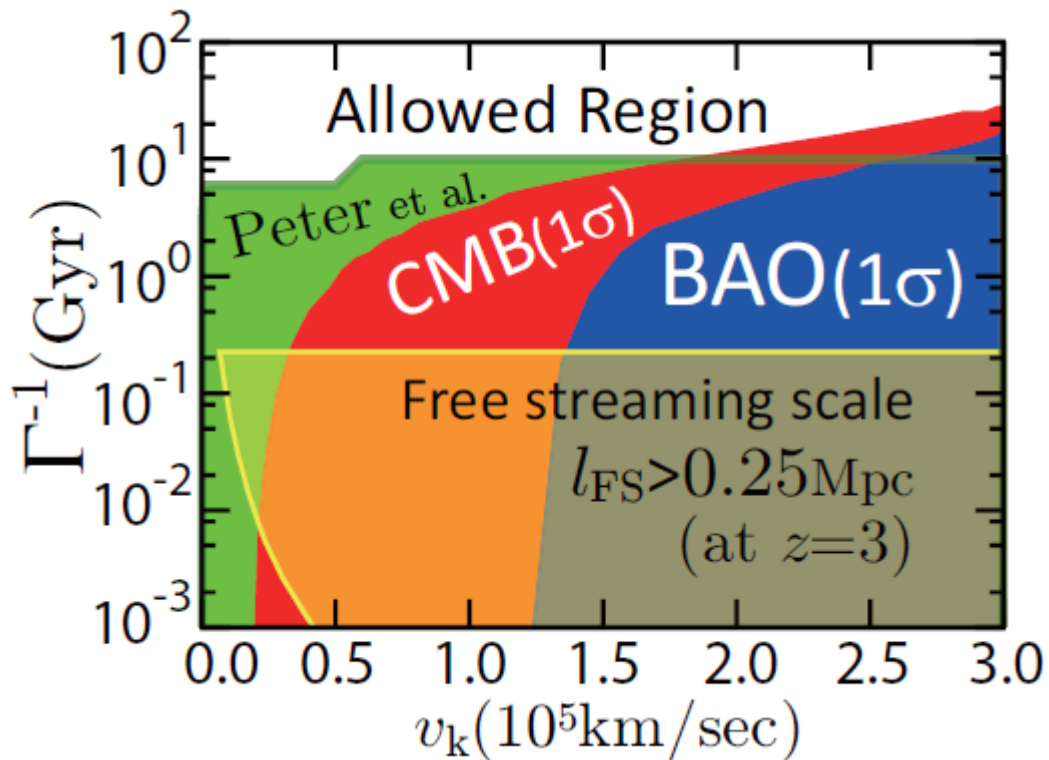
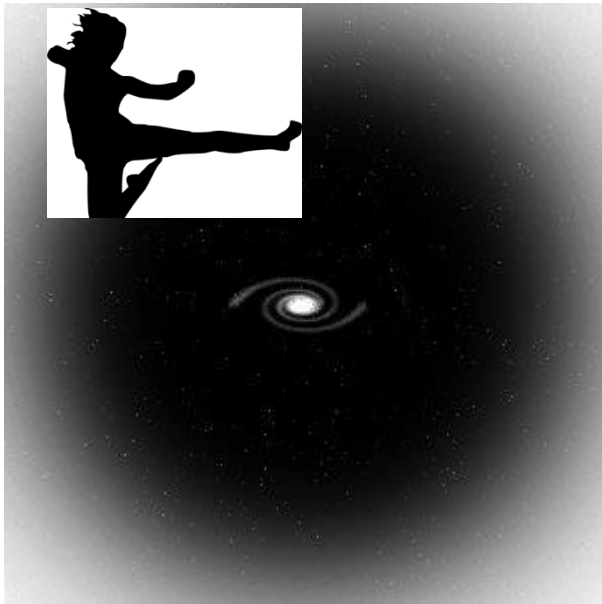
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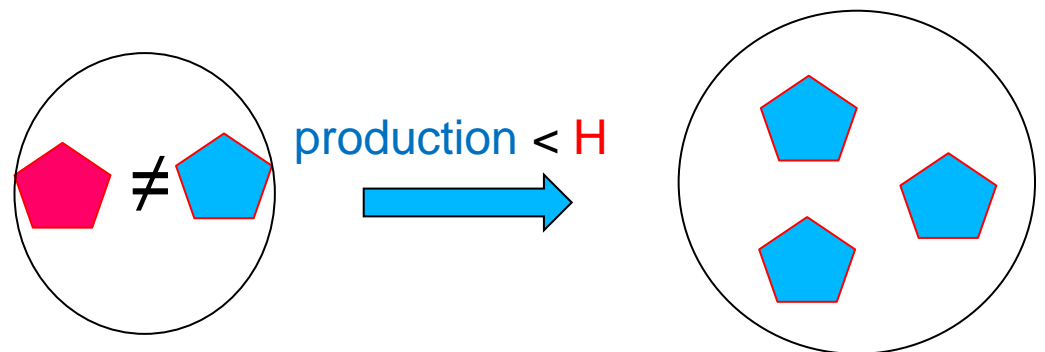
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 - Decaying dark matter imparts a **velocity kick** (v_k) to decay products. Numerical simulation of the evolution of the mass and density profile of galaxies compared to observed profiles excludes decay rates larger than an inverse gigayear.



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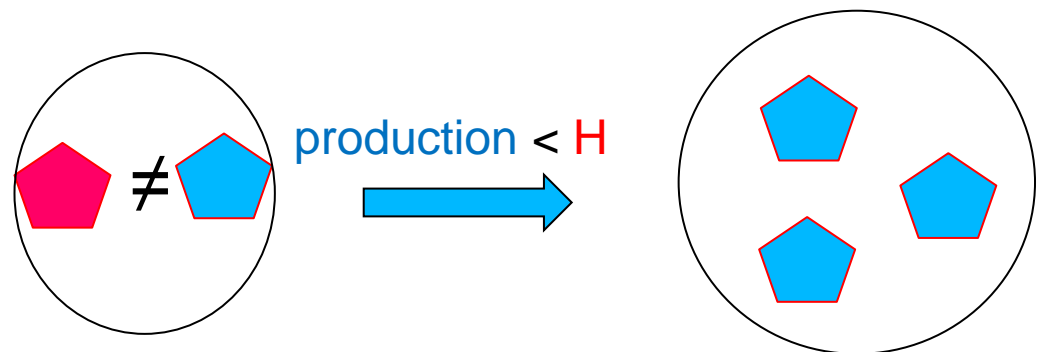
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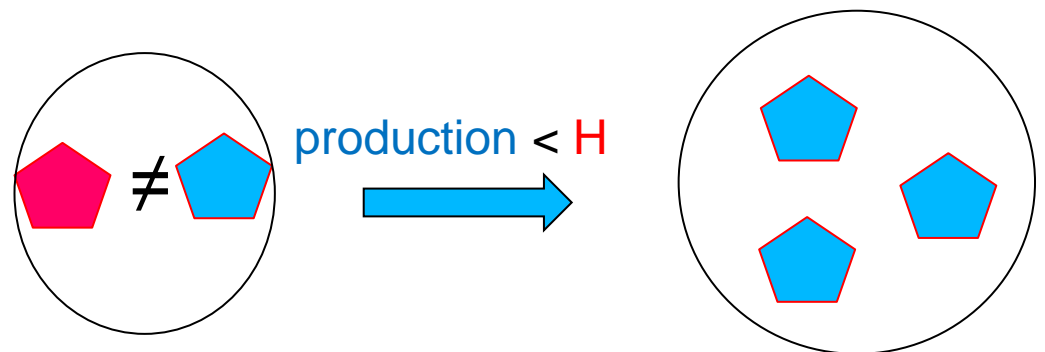


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- However, this is a somewhat **arbitrary coincidence**.

What about the **5:1 DM:baryon density ratio**? Can we tie in the **baryon asymmetry**?

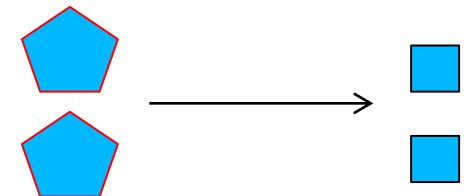
- Yes! **Asymmetric Dark Matter** supposes some mechanism produces the baryon asymmetry related to a dark particle-antiparticle asymmetry.



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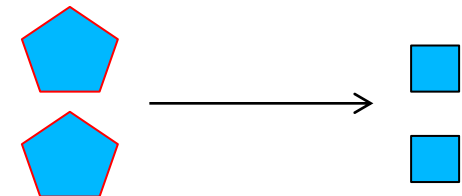
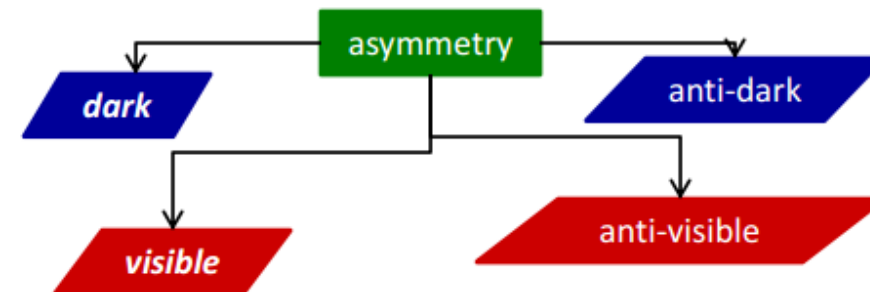
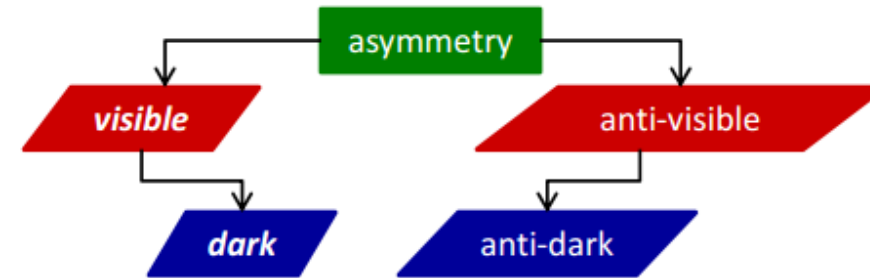
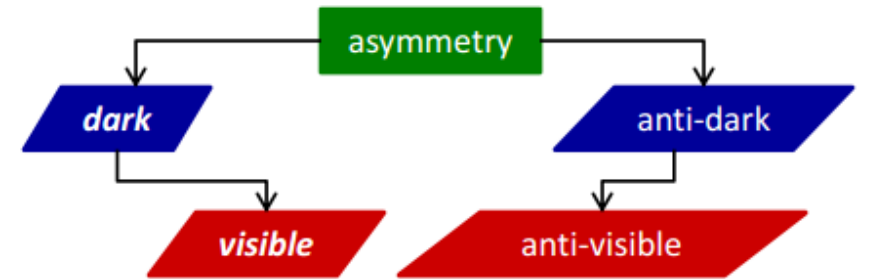
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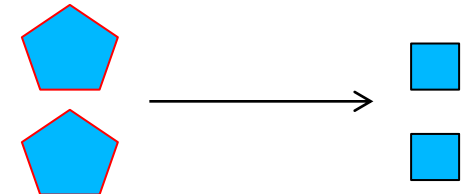
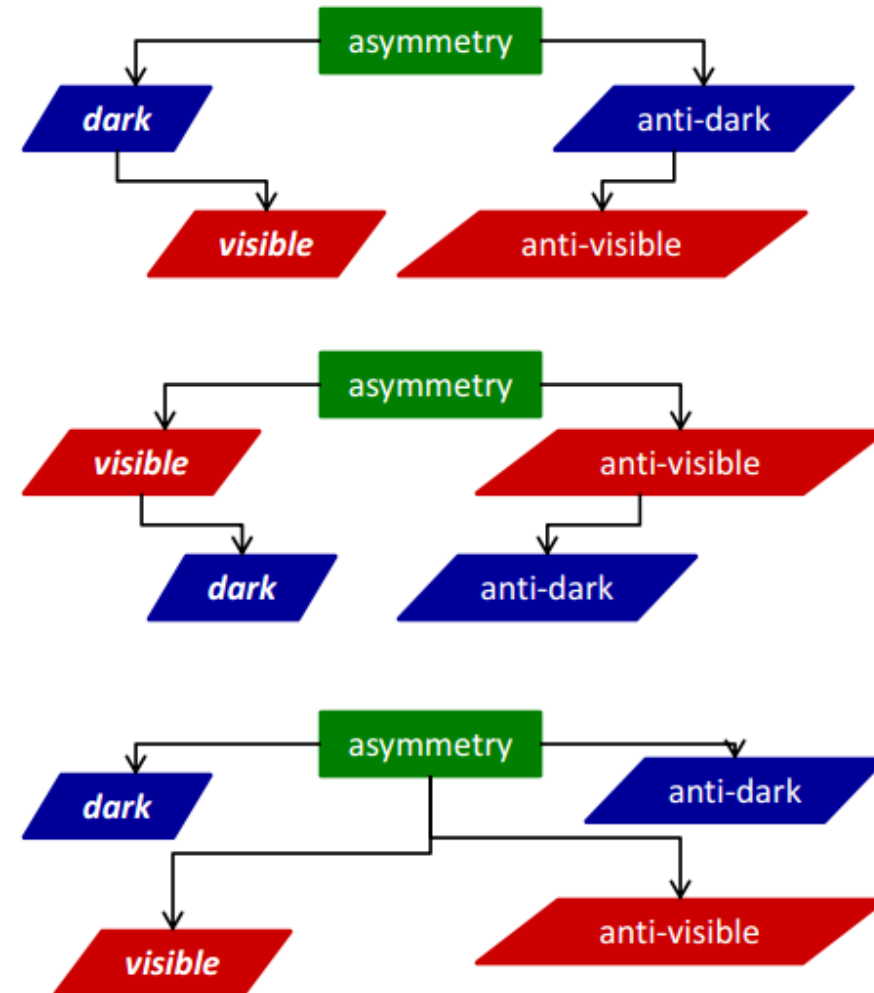
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 - However, the ADM frozen out need not be the lightest particle charged under **the complex symmetry**...could have an additional Z_2 symmetry.
- Example** proton: **positive electric charge**. If Lepton number and Baryon number were **both conserved mod(2)**, protons could annihilate to $e^+ e^+$.
- The key is that this additional annihilation channel must be small enough not to upset freeze-out



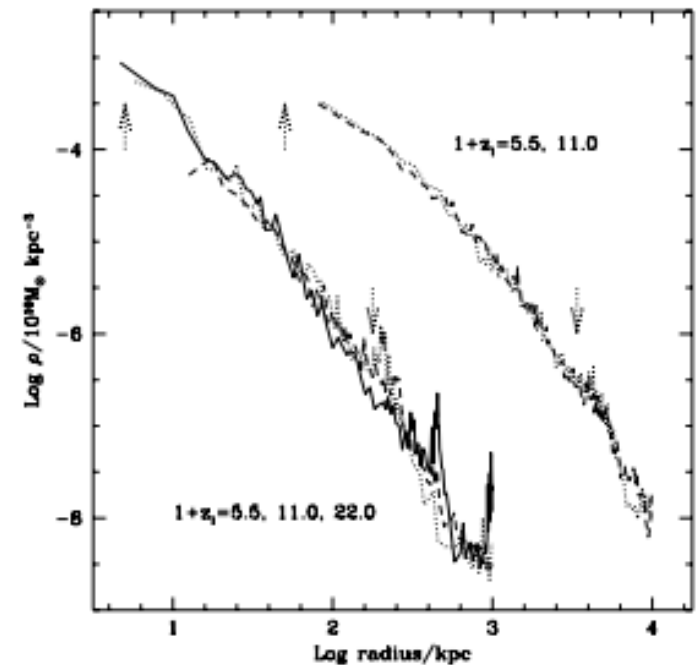
Nucleon-Scattering Asymmetric DM Must Self-Interact

Reasonable UV completions of nucleon contact interactions imply dark matter self-interactions.

DM-nucleon effective operator	$\frac{\alpha_s}{4M_*^2} \chi^\dagger \chi G_{\mu\nu} G^{\mu\nu}$		$\frac{m_q}{M_*^2} \chi^\dagger \chi \bar{q} q$		$\frac{i}{M_*^2} \chi^\dagger \overleftrightarrow{\partial}_\mu \chi \bar{q} \gamma^\mu q$
DM-nucleon cross-section, $\sigma_{n\chi}$	$3 \cdot 10^{-2} \frac{\mu_{n\chi}^2 m_n^2}{m_\chi^2 M_*^4}$		$7 \cdot 10^{-3} \frac{\mu_{n\chi}^2 m_n^2}{m_\chi^2 M_*^4}$		$\frac{3\mu_{n\chi}^2}{M_*^4}$
possible UV completions	scalar mediation	fermion mediation	scalar mediation	fermion mediation	vector boson mediation
$\chi n \rightarrow \chi n$ scattering					
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- ❖ Cold collisionless dark matter has been simulated coalescing into DM halos.
- ❖ The NFW profile was designed as an analytic formula matched to simulations of cold, collisionless DM forming halos.
- ❖ Note especially that the density of the simulated galaxy halos rises sharply at small radius, (10^{11} and 10^{15} solar mass halos displayed, respectively)

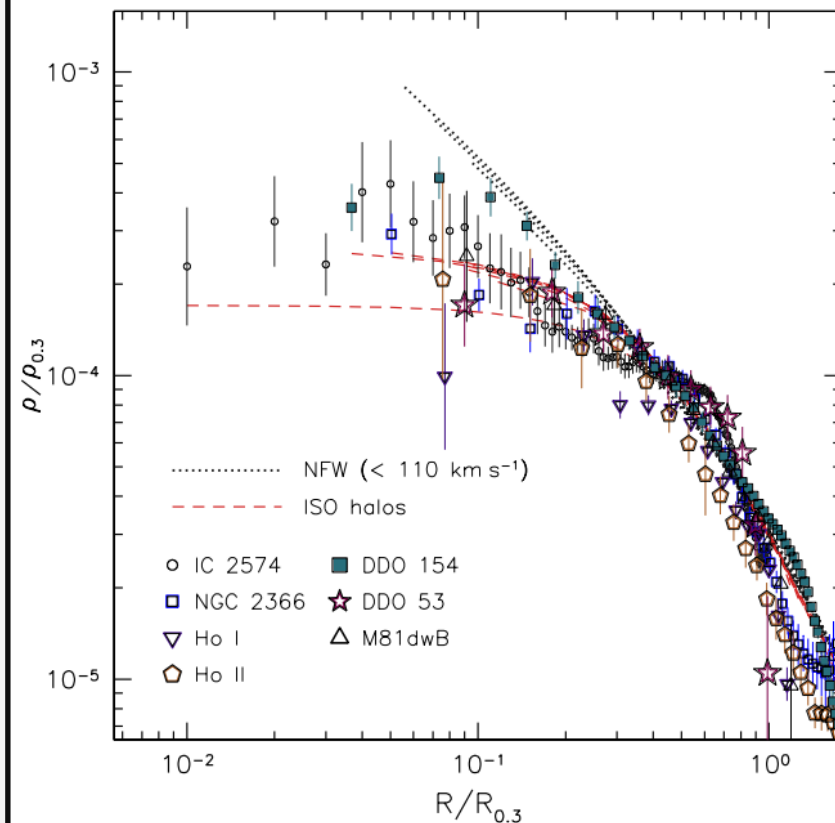
NFW profile



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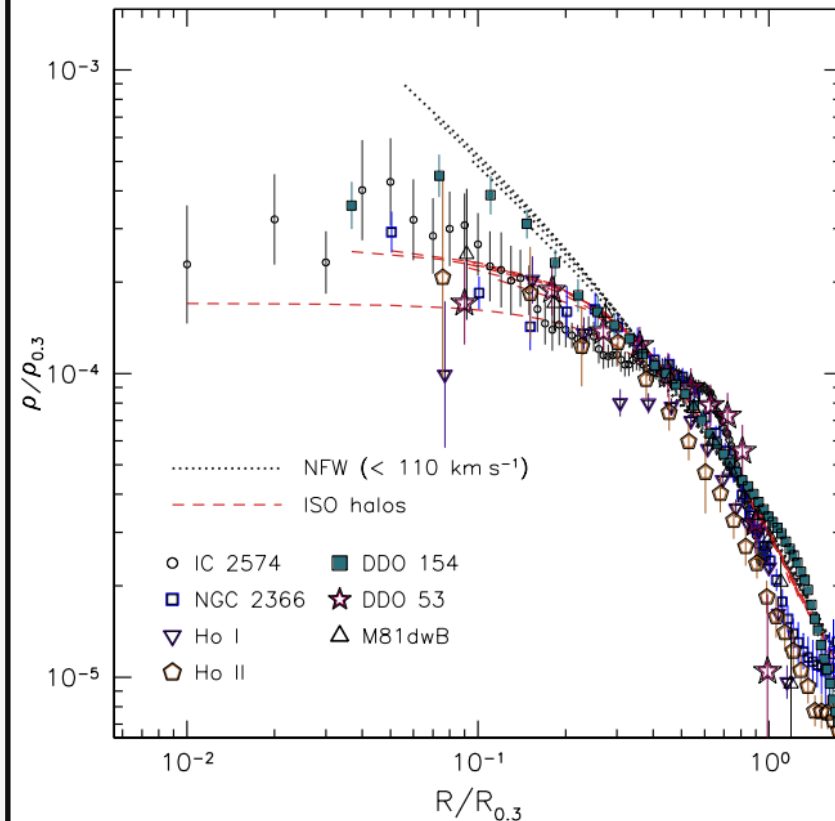
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- Also, many simulations suggest that we should have ~ 50 subhalos in the MW, we see only 12.
 - Caveat: Different models of star formation, **subhalos too dim?**
 - Counter: “**Too big to fail (to form) star subhalos not seen** in the Milky Way.



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- This preferred value is very close to the lower bound on DM S-I.
- The scales of observation (dwarf, spiral, cluster) motivate velocity-dependent cross-sections -- specific relationships between the mass of the force mediator and dark matter can achieve this.
- Finally, it means that an O(10) more precise measurement of galaxy/mass separation in bullet clusters can test the validity of self-interacting dark matter models.

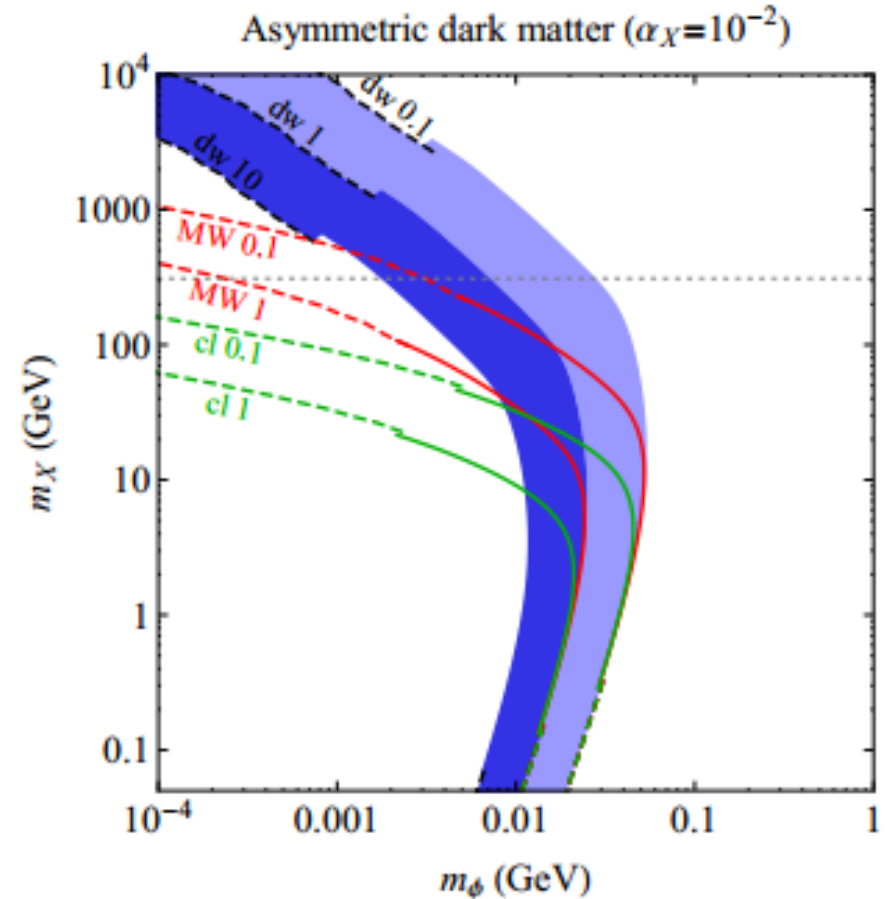
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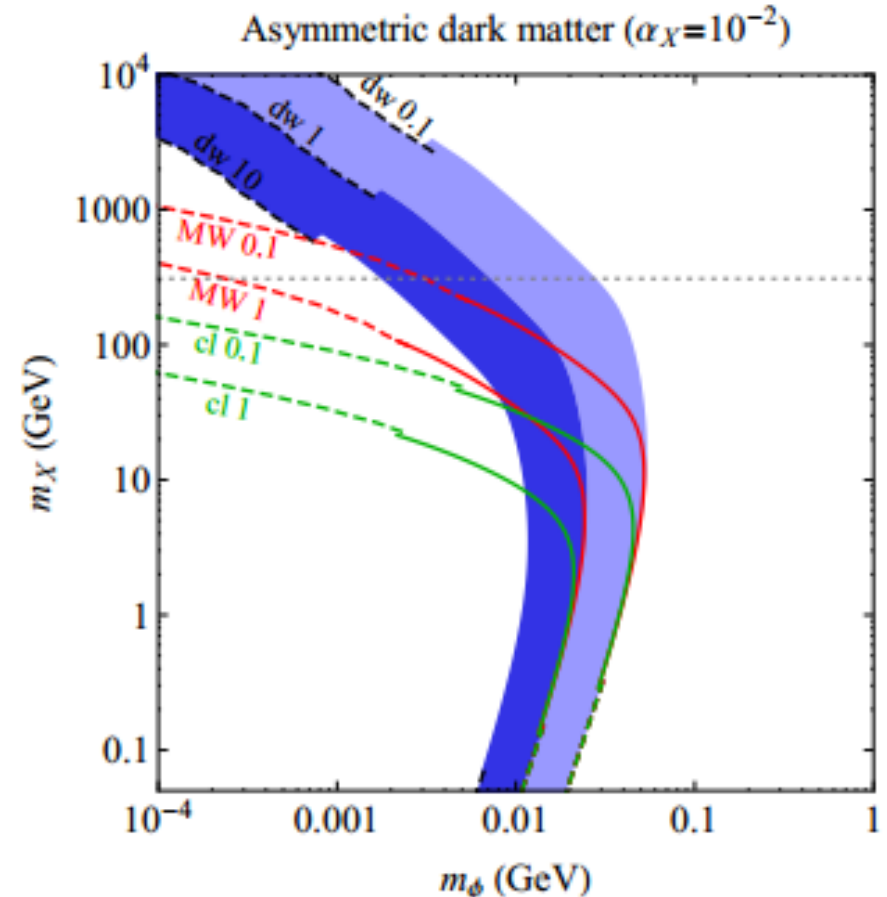
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Answer: velocity dependent cross-section provided by light mediator.

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{int}} = \begin{cases} g_X \bar{X} \gamma^\mu X \phi_\mu & \text{vector mediator} \\ g_X \bar{X} X \phi & \text{scalar mediator} \end{cases}$$

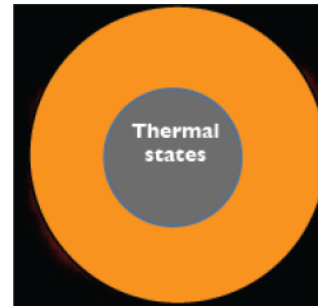


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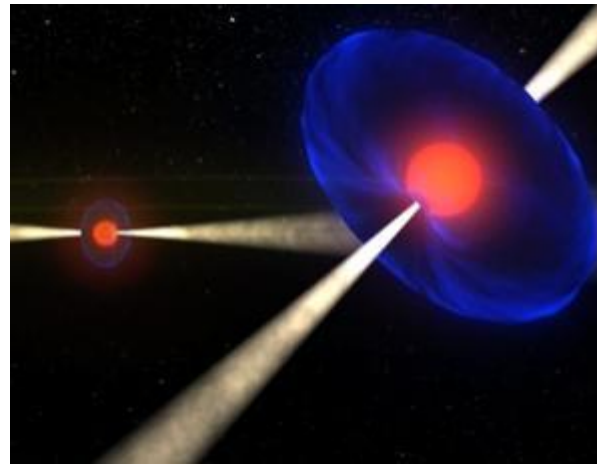
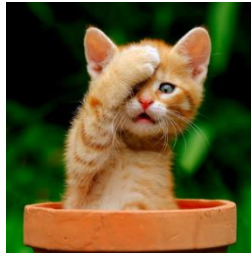
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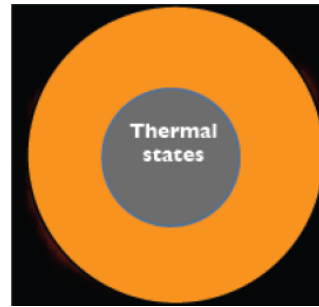


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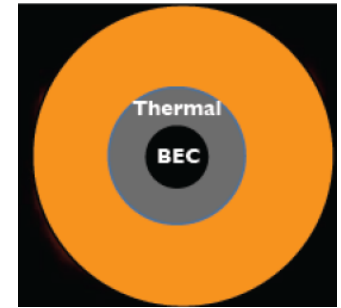
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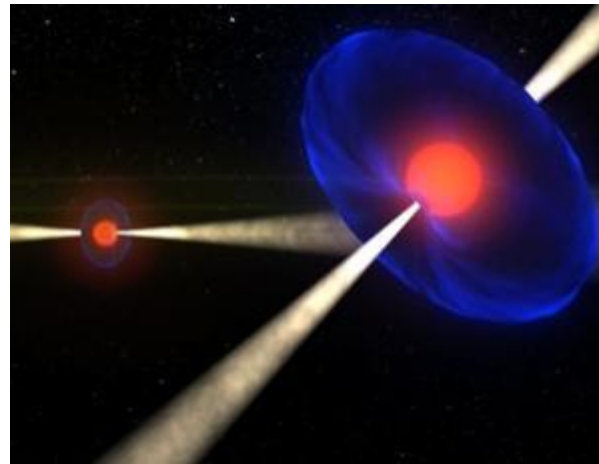
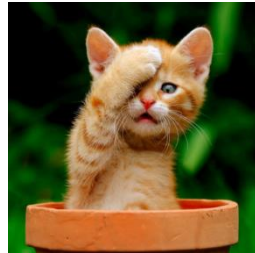
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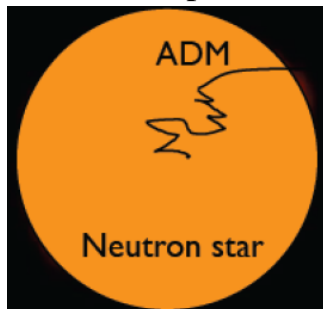
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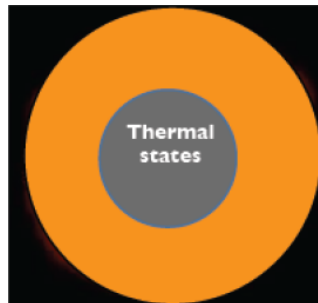


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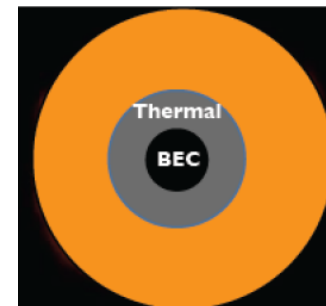
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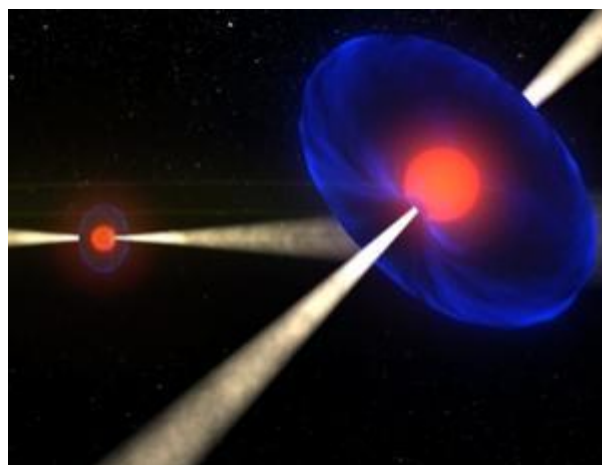
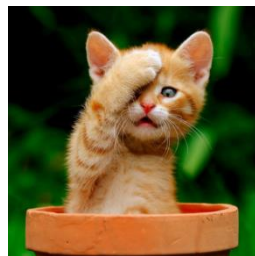
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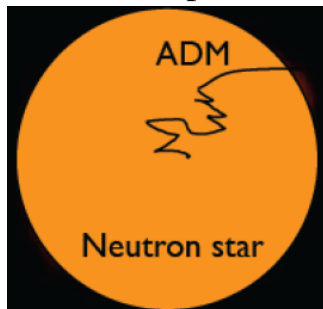
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Do enough DM particles feed into the BEC, so the BEC-phase DM will become self-gravitating and collapse to a black hole?

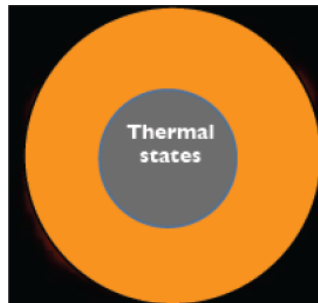
The DM BEC collapses.



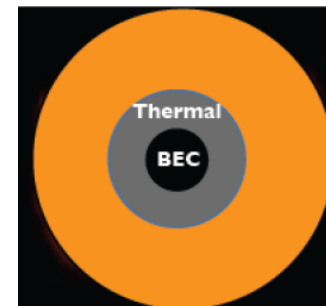
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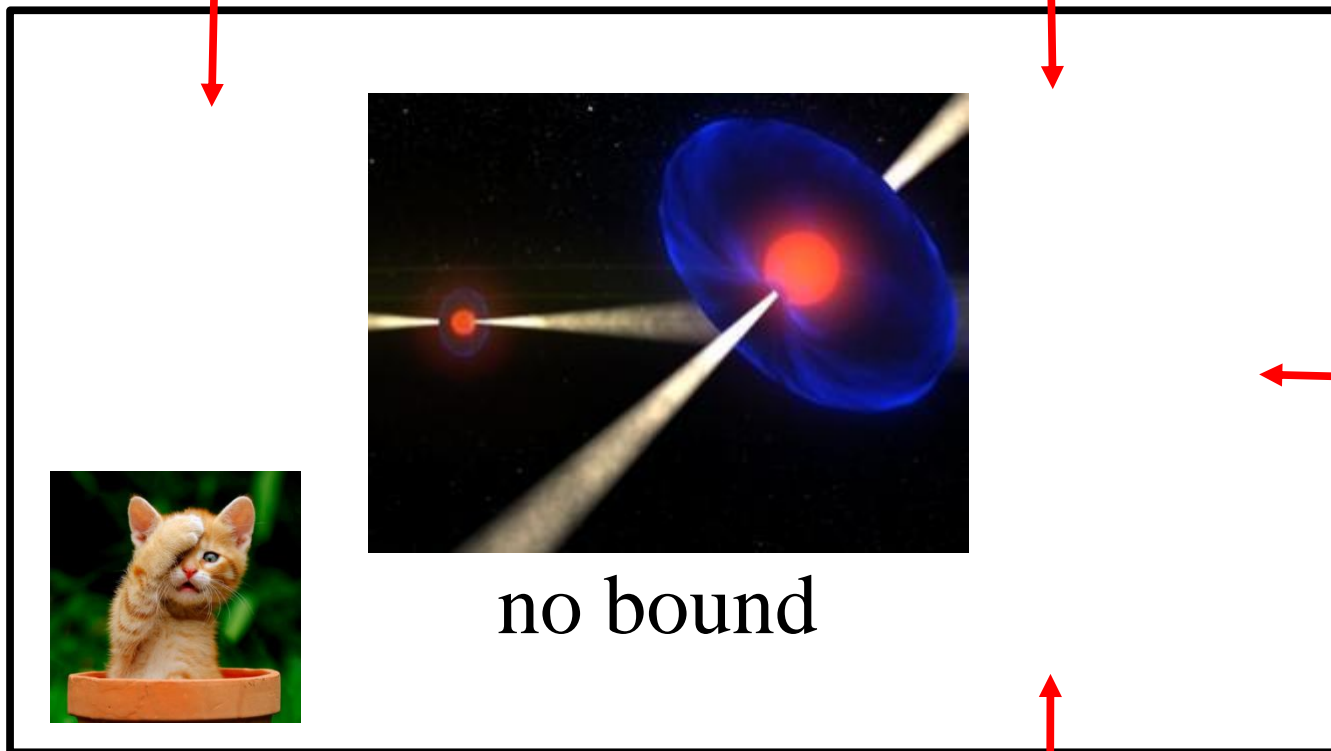
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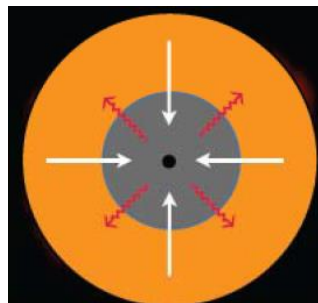
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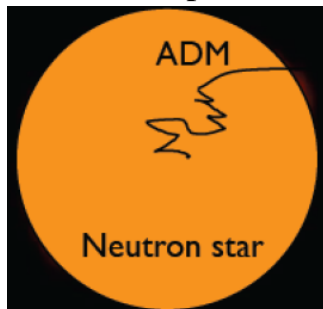


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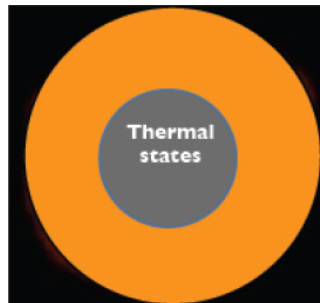
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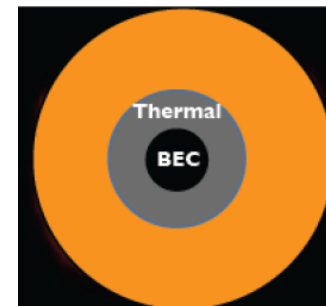
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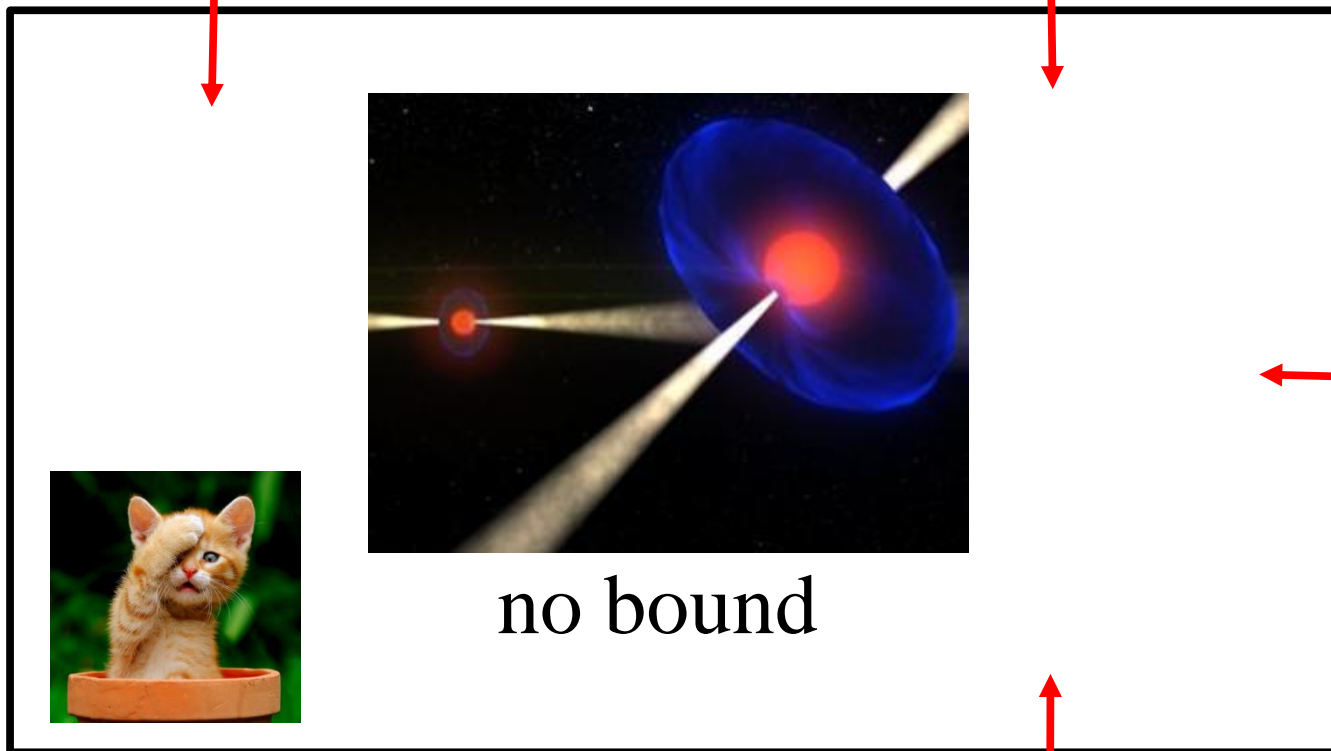
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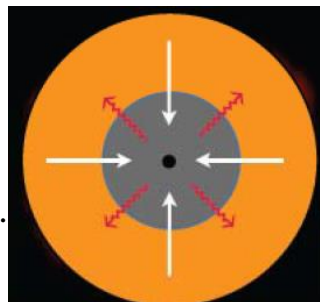
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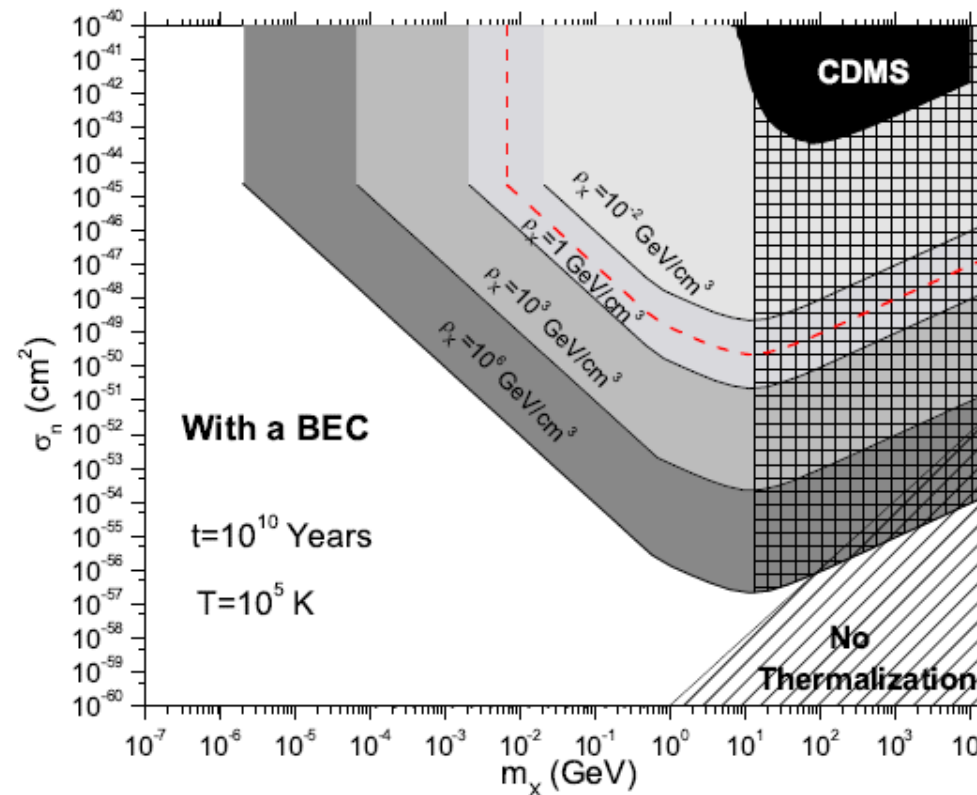


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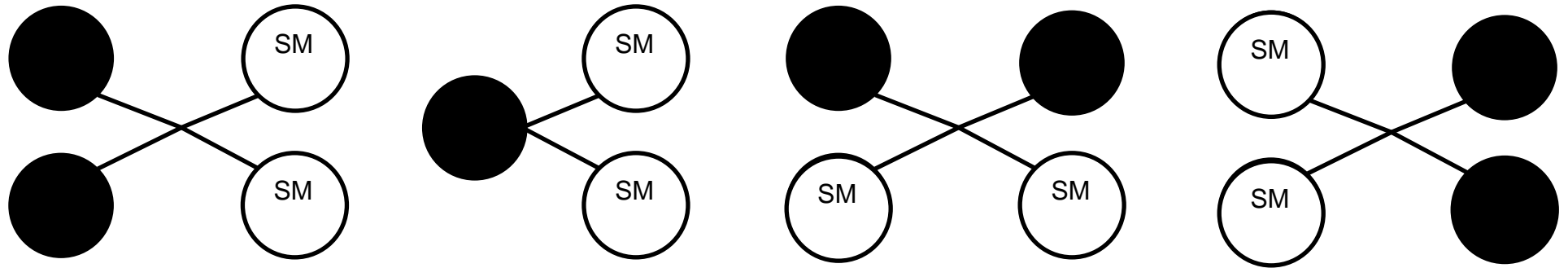


Non-annihilating Bosonic DM bound

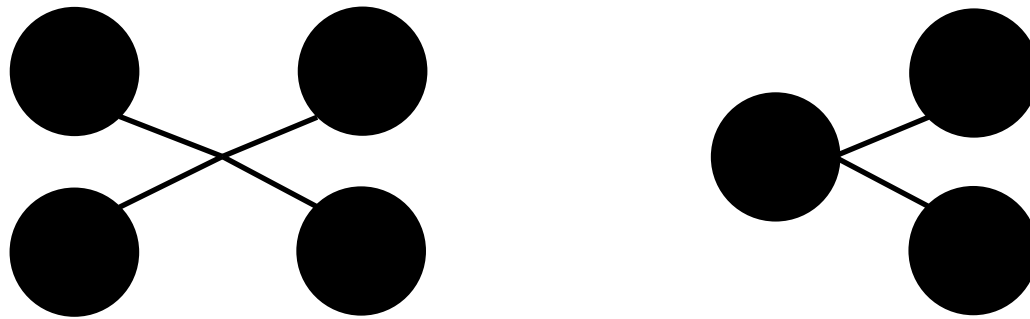


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- Square hatched = hawking radiation ruins bound
- No thermalization = won't settle to center of NS in 10 Gyr
- Different DM densities → different bounds

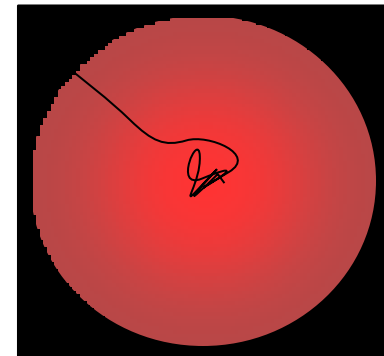
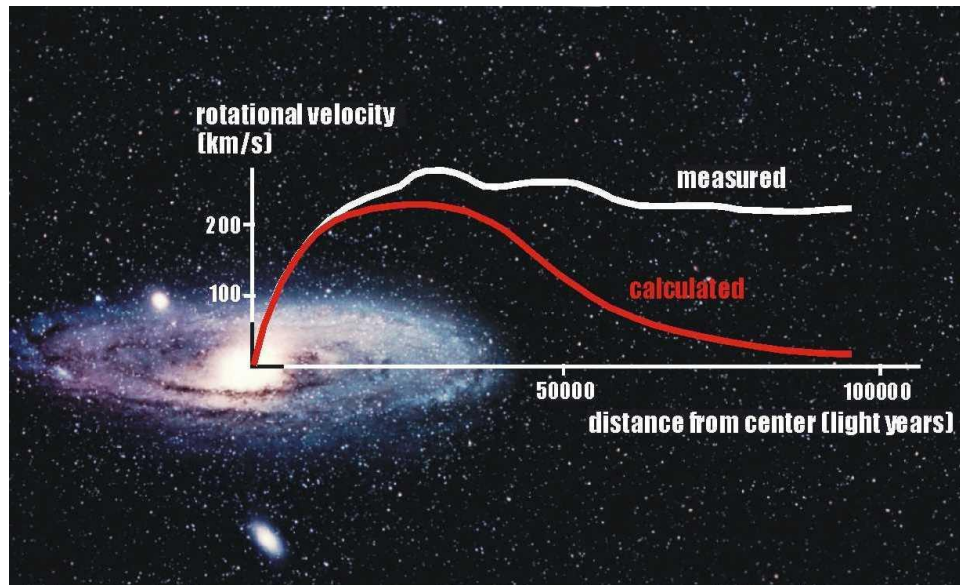


Neutron star bounds on bosonic dark matter that decays, annihilates, and self-interacts

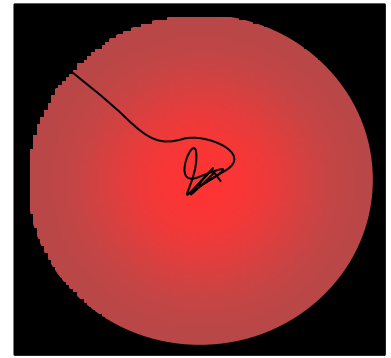


Dark matter capture

- Neutron stars have been observed surrounded by dark matter particles moving at ~ 220 km/s.
- If these dark matter particles scatter off neutrons, dark matter will collect in the neutron star.



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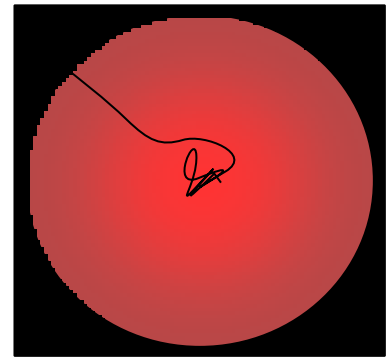


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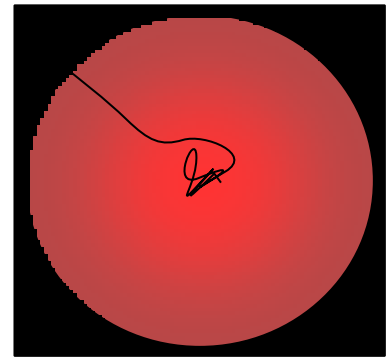
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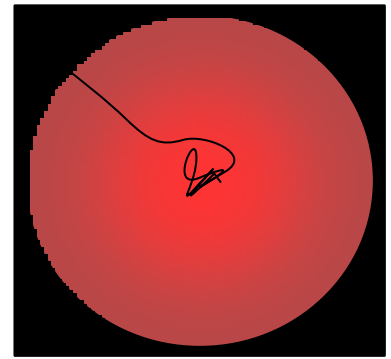
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- A number of additional factors apply:
 - Full **geodesic path** of the DM particle in a full GR treatment.
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 - Pauli blocking in turn alters the DM-NS scattering saturation.

Dark matter capture



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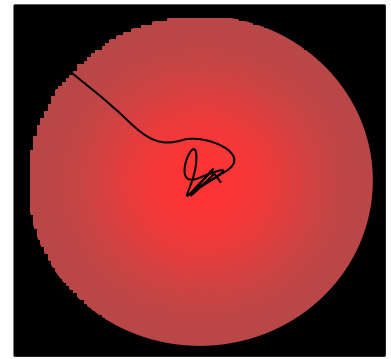
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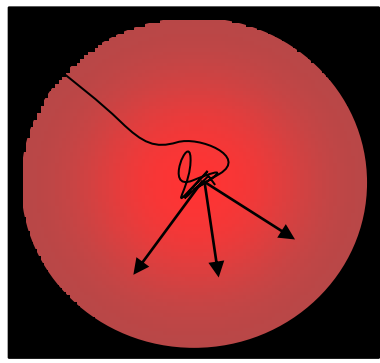
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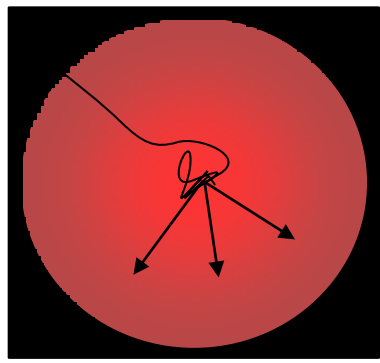
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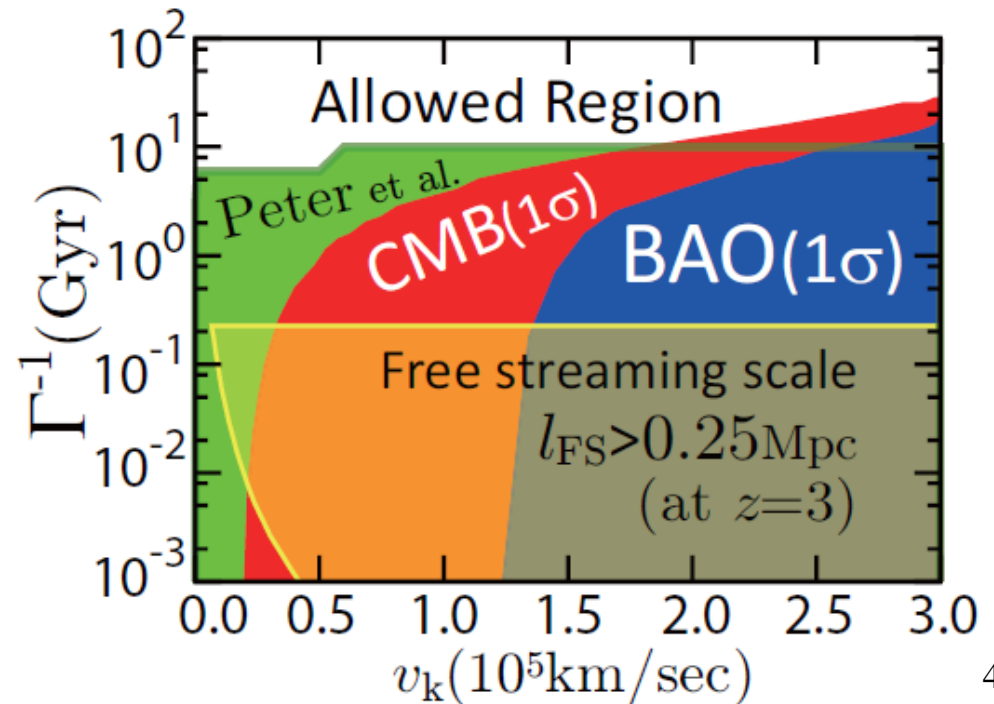
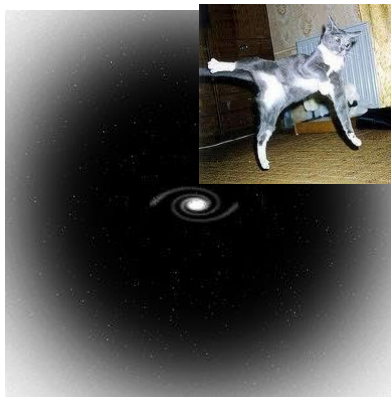


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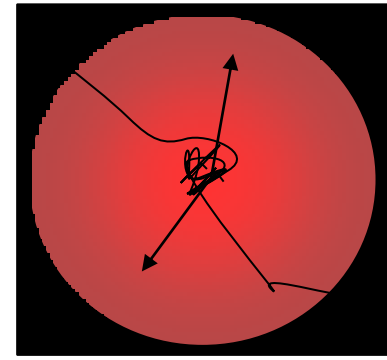
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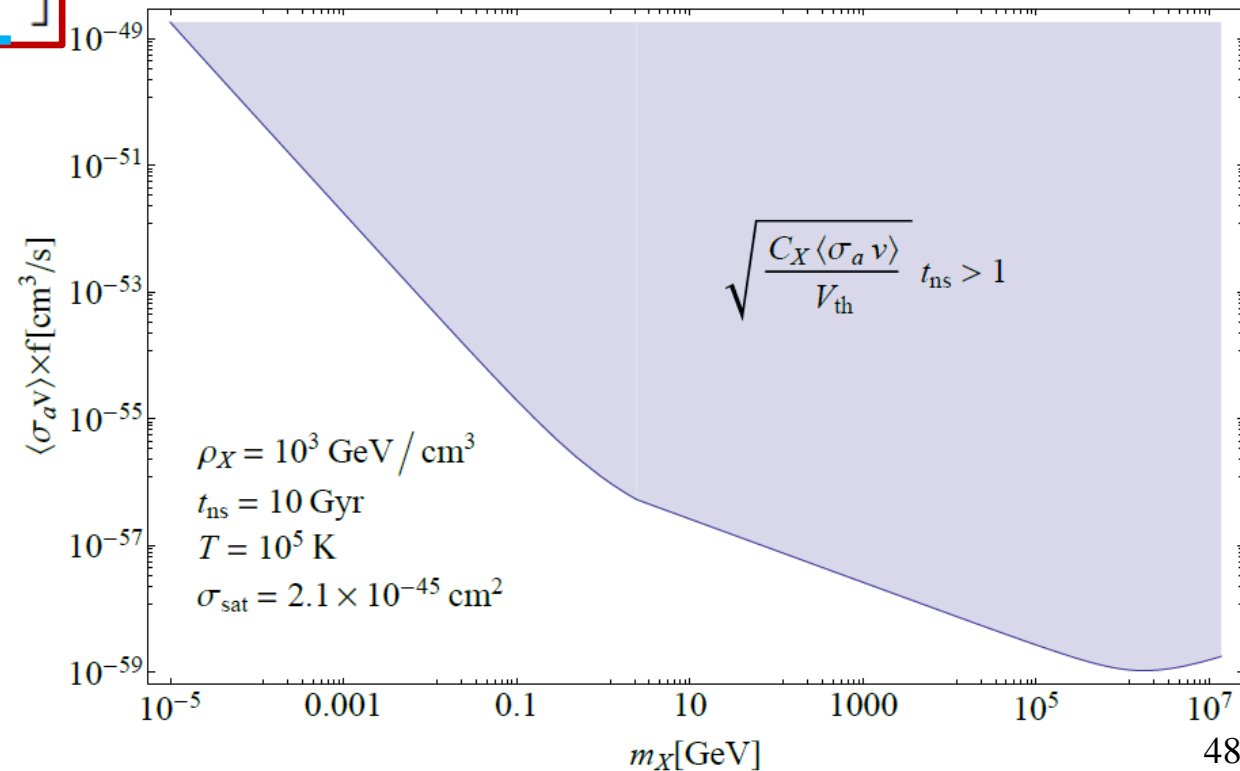


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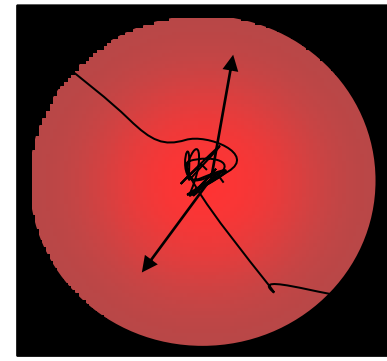
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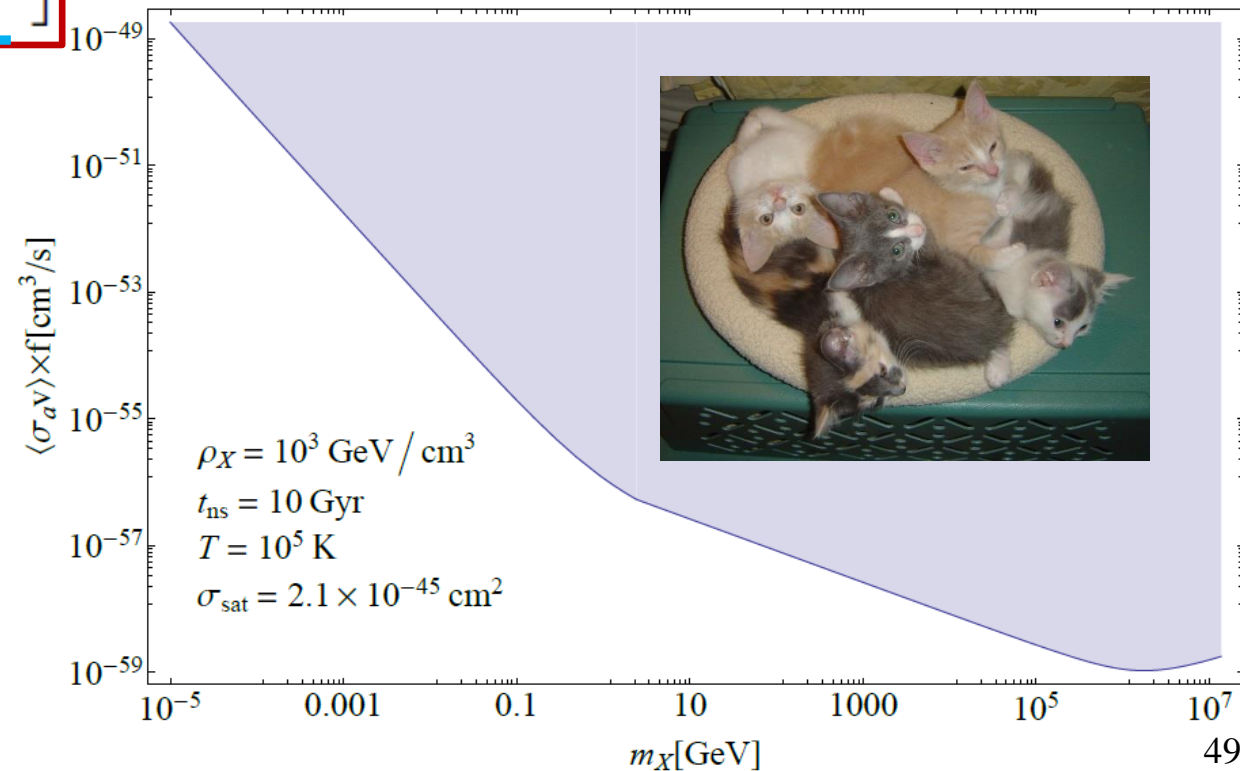


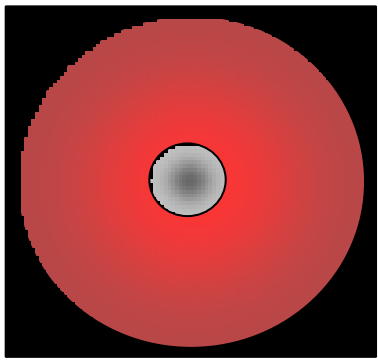
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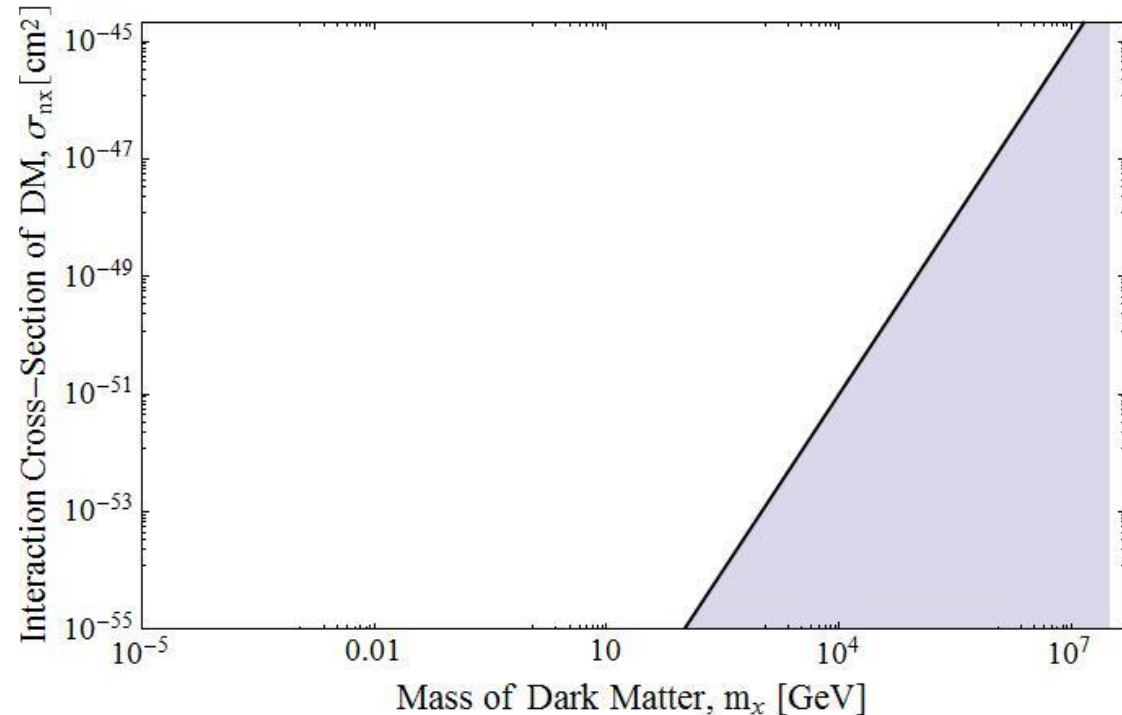


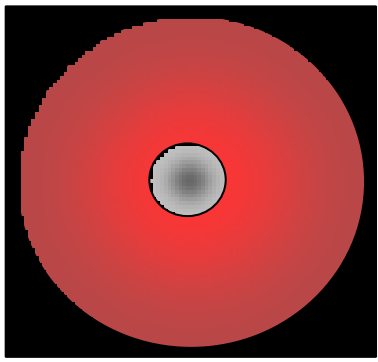
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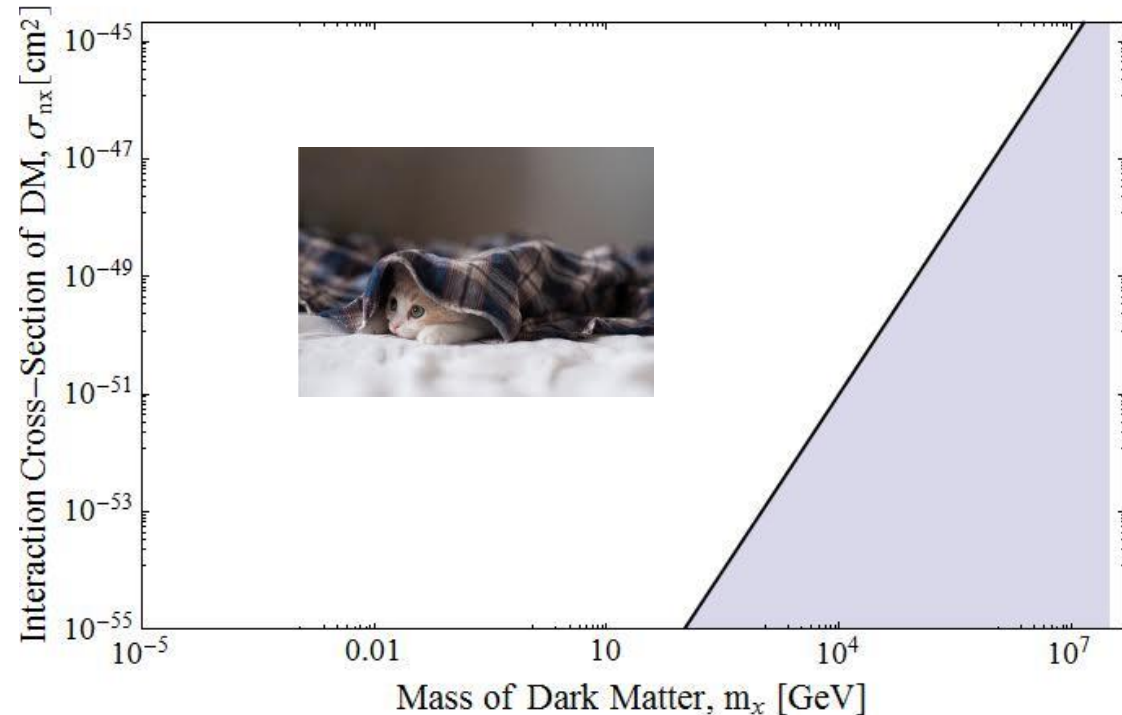


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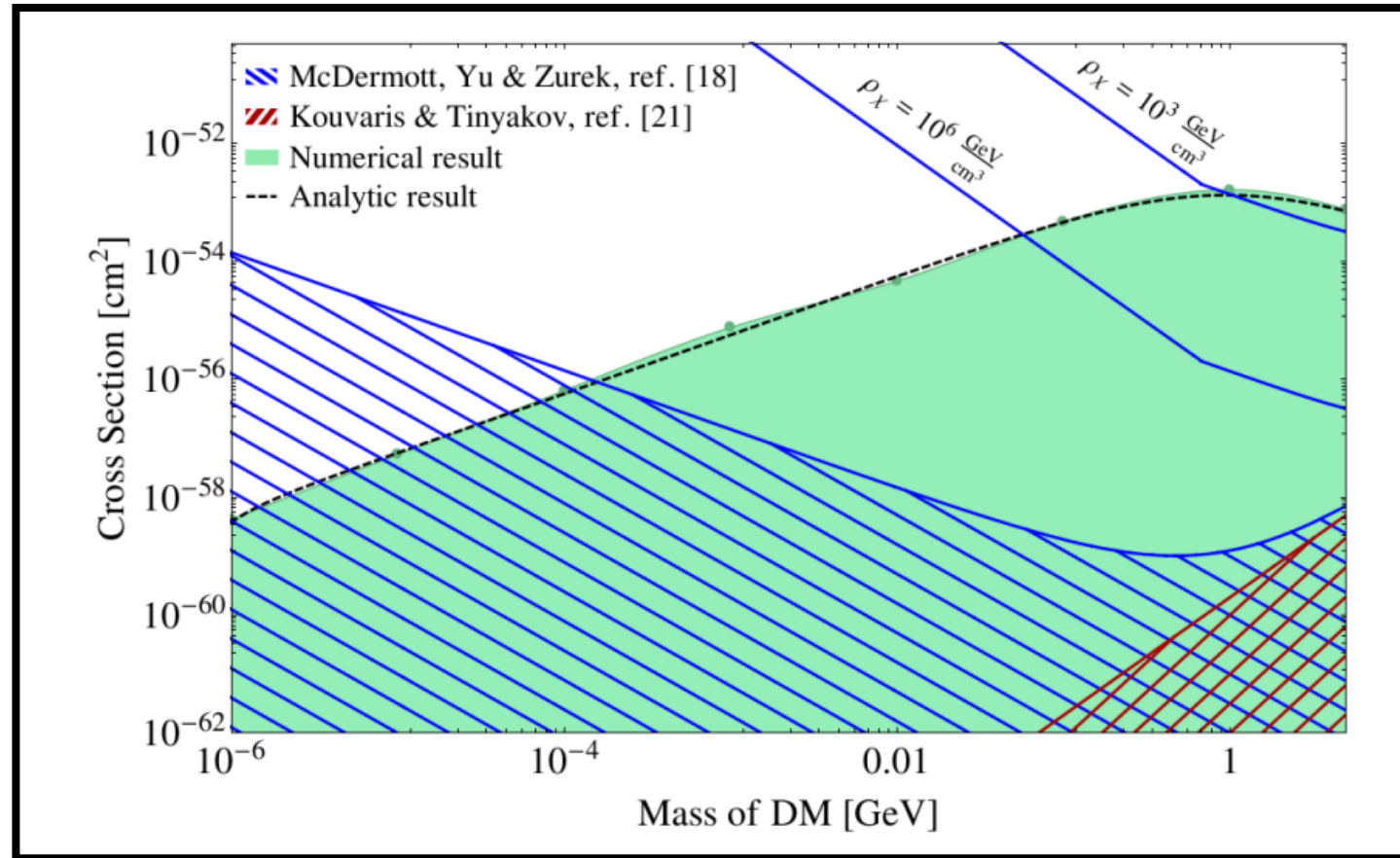


Recent Steps Towards Precision DM-Neutron Star Thermalization

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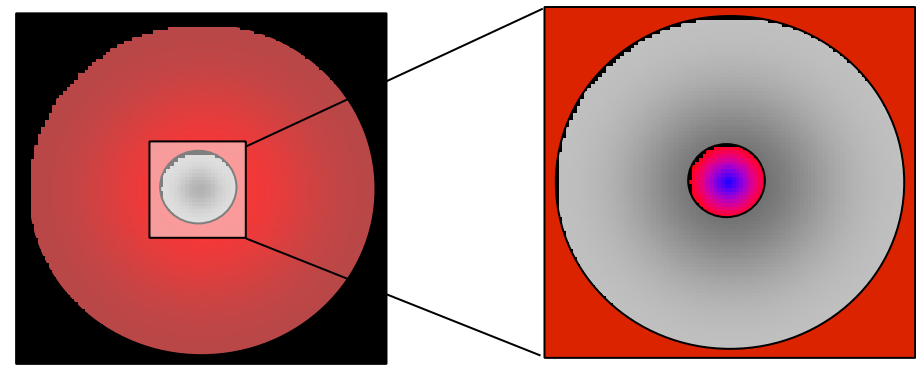
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- This treatment assumed a 100 GeV heavy mediator and axial/vector SM coupling to dark matter.
- In a full treatment, thermalization time may be shorter for heavier DM.



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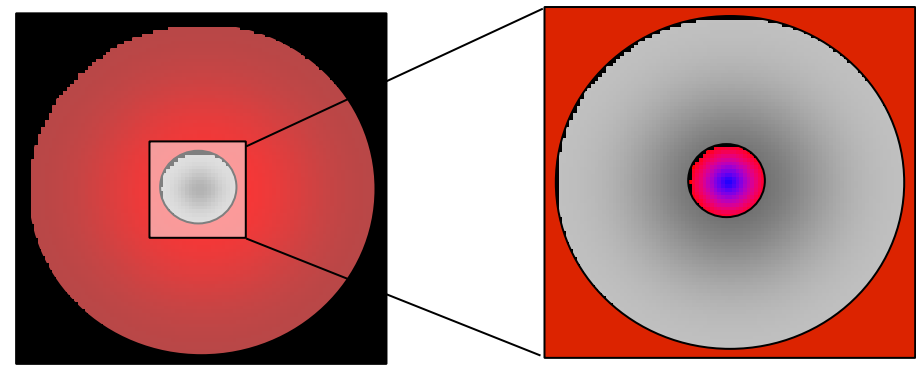
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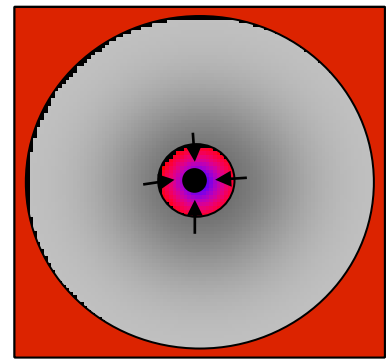
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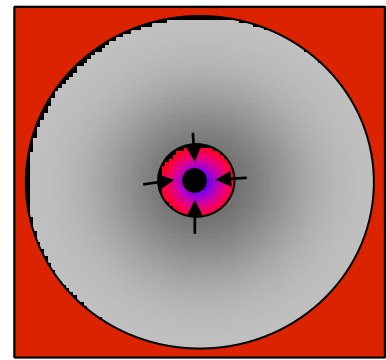
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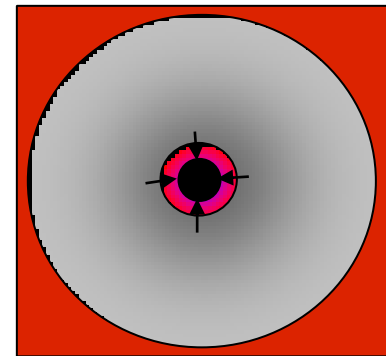
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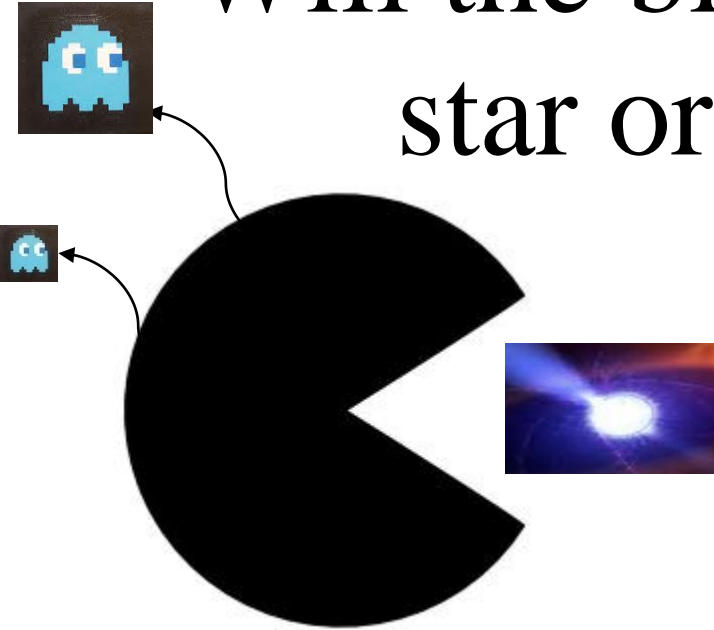
...with self-interactions

Repulsive self-interactions via a $\lambda|\phi|^4$ coupling yield a different limit for collapse:

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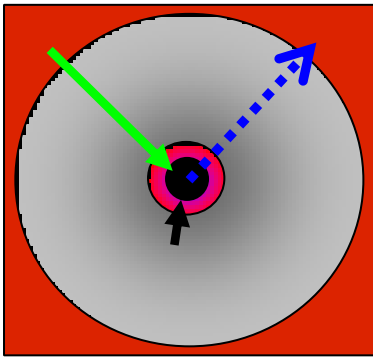


Will the black hole eat the neutron star or extinguish via HR?



The total mass evolution of the black hole can be approximated with Bondi accretion, Hawking radiation, and infall of dark matter from the dark matter particles that will reform a BEC as more dark matter enters the neutron star.

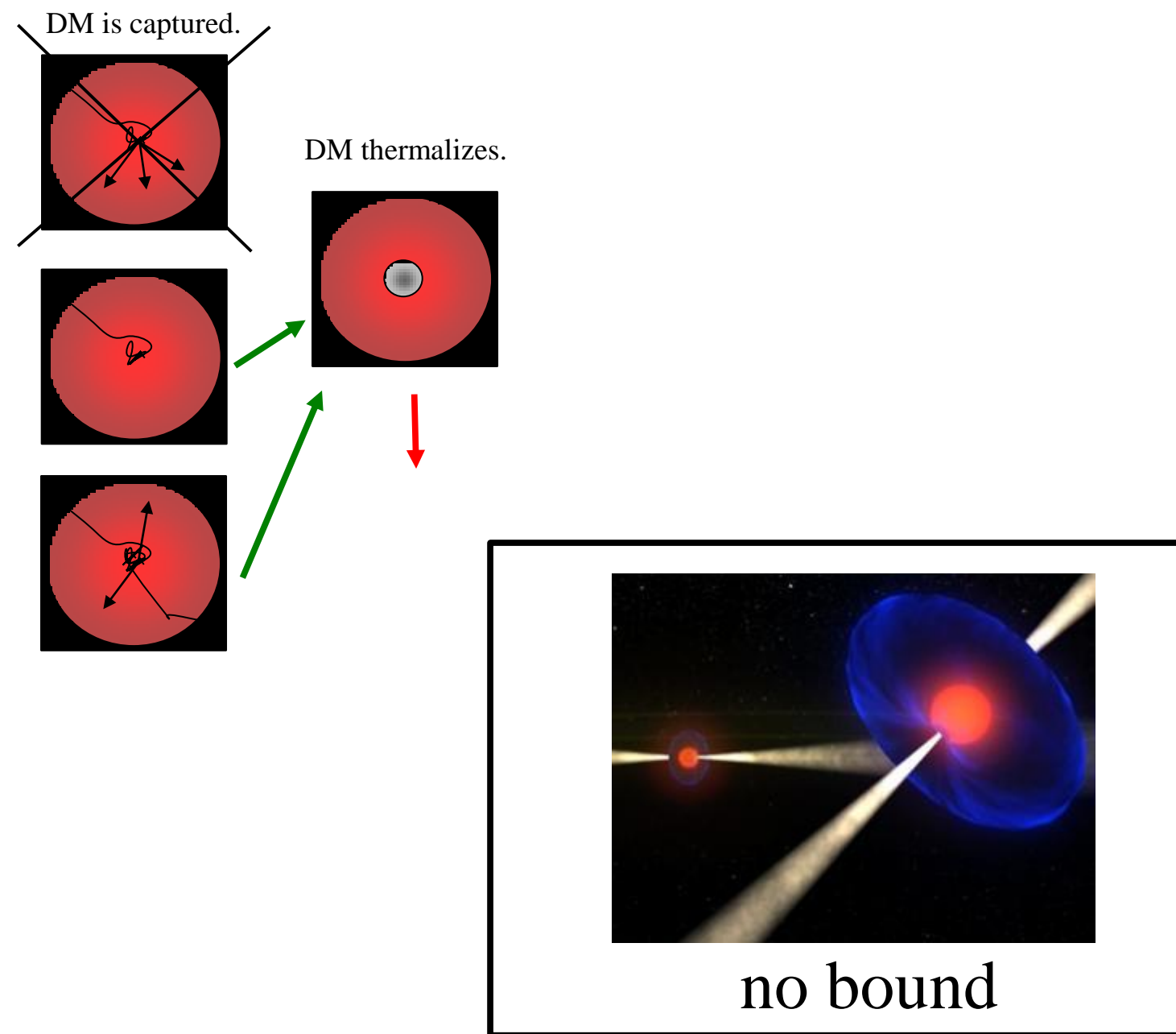
$$\frac{dM_{bh}}{dt} = \frac{4\pi\rho_b(GM_{bh})^2}{v_s^3} + \left(\frac{dM_{bh}}{dt}\right)_{DM} - \frac{1}{15360\pi(GM_{bh})^2}$$



The scattering impact parameter is small compared with the BEC radius \rightarrow dark matter falls into the star at about the rate it is collected.

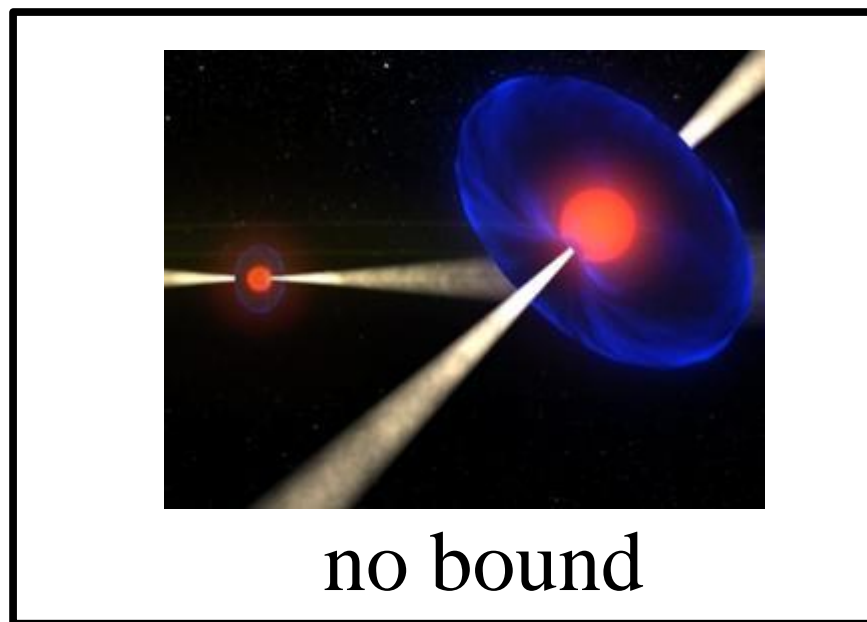
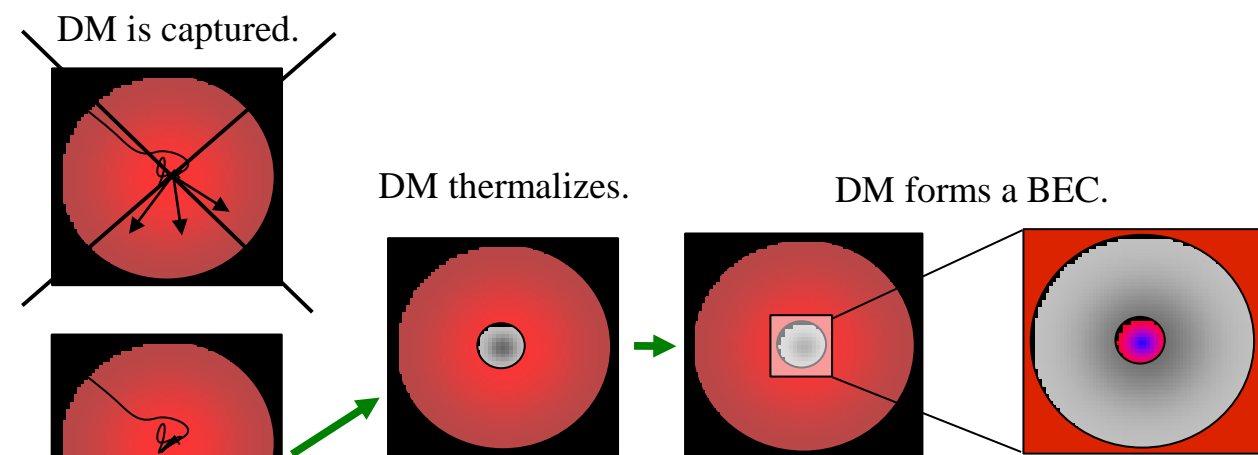
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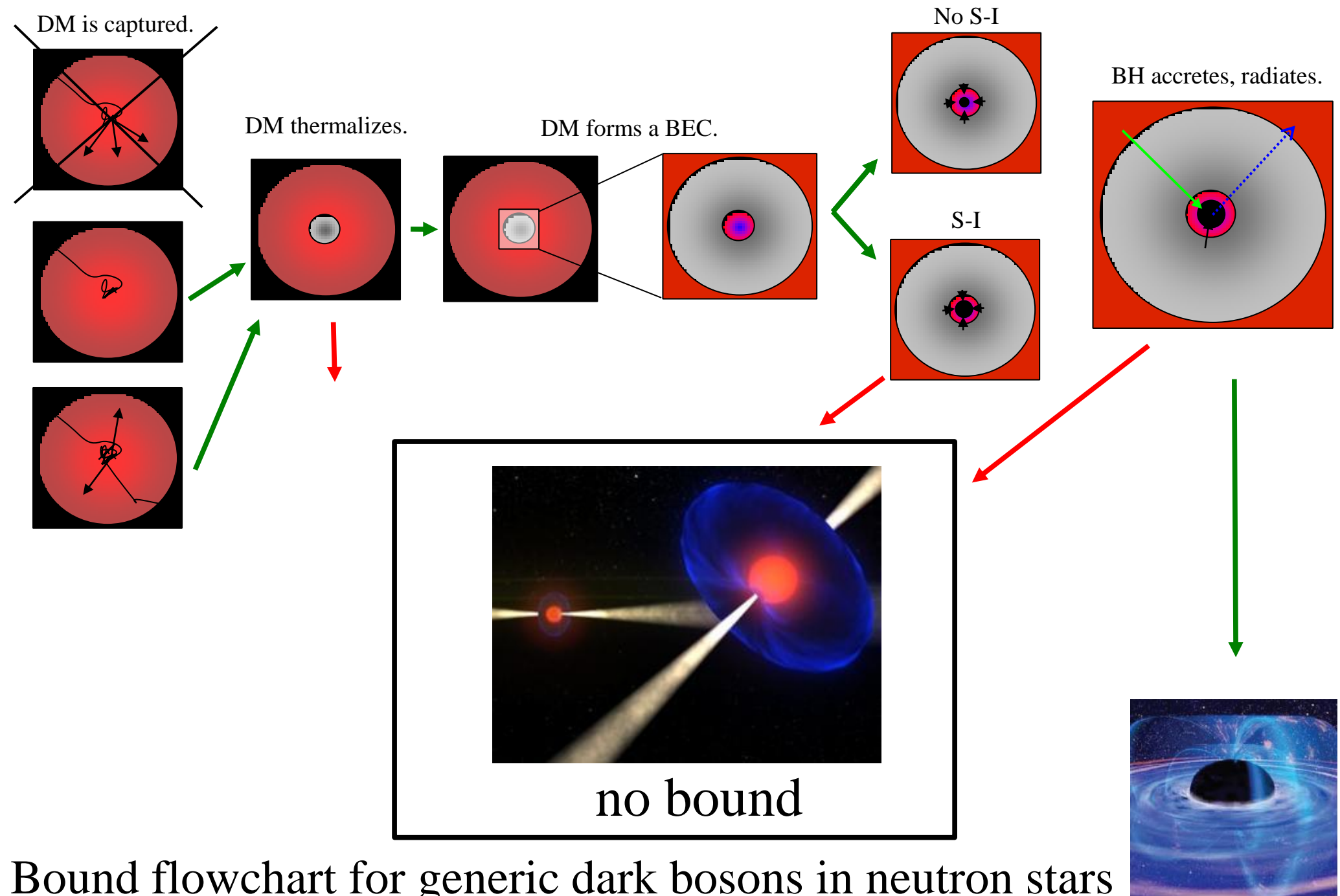
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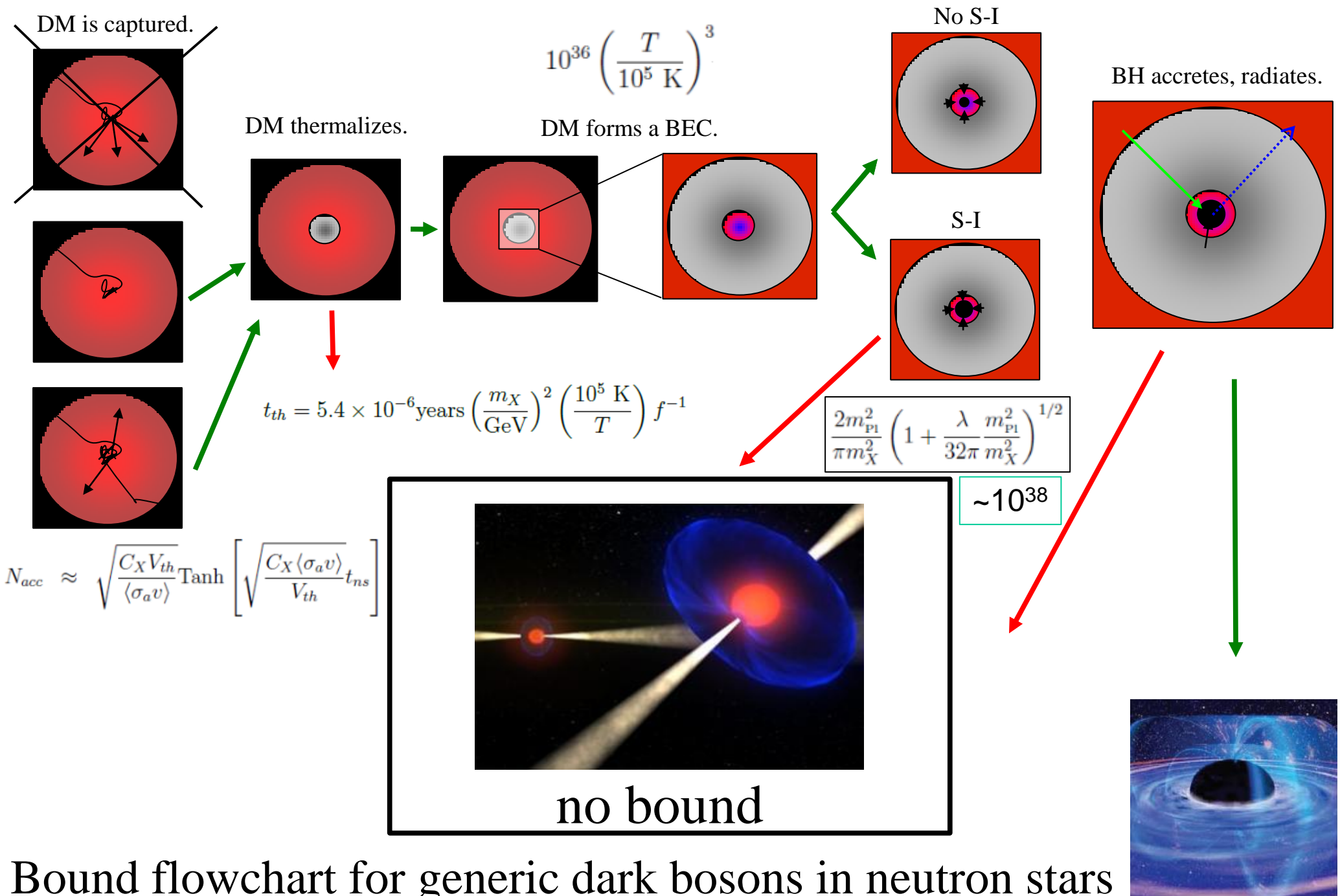
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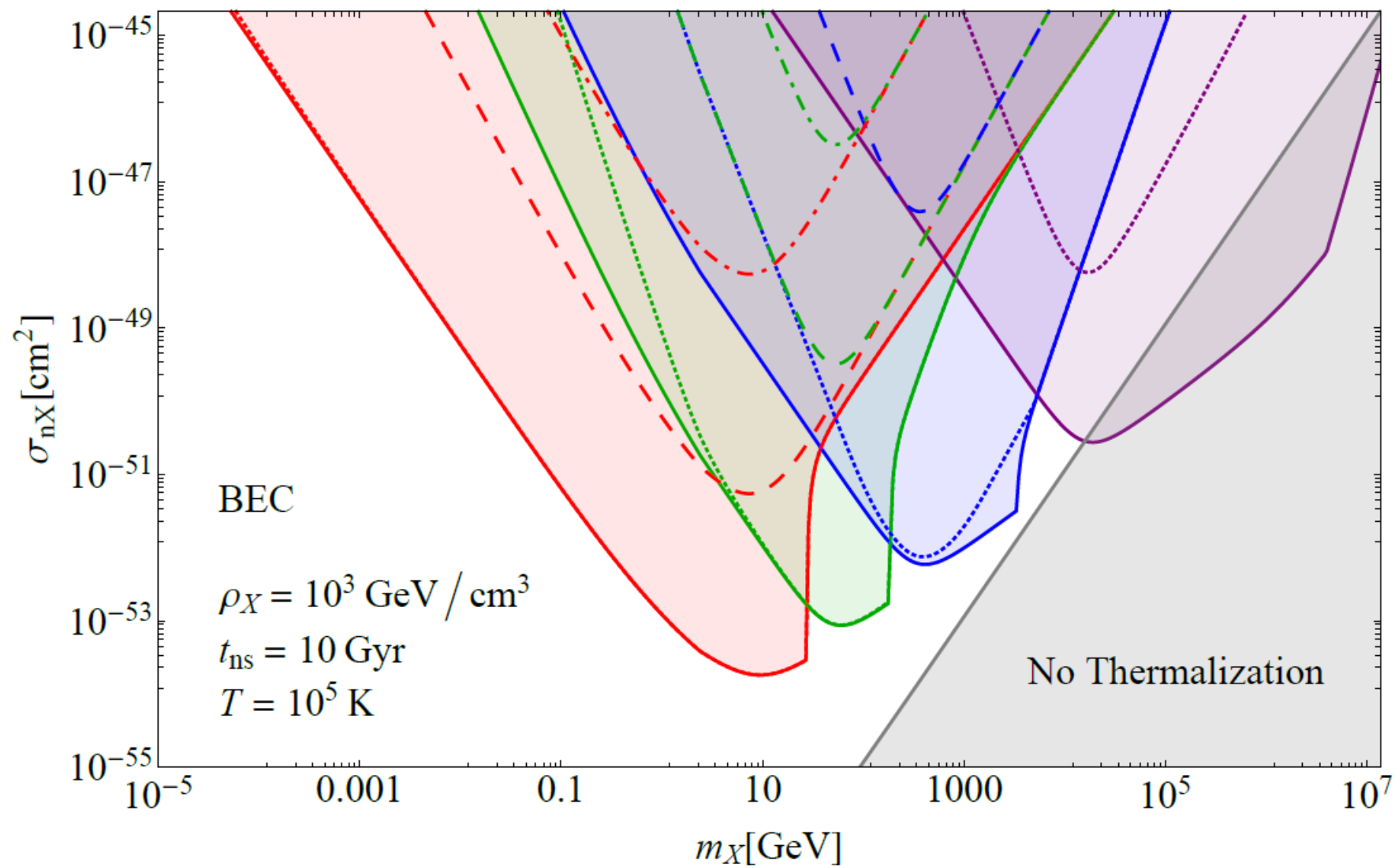


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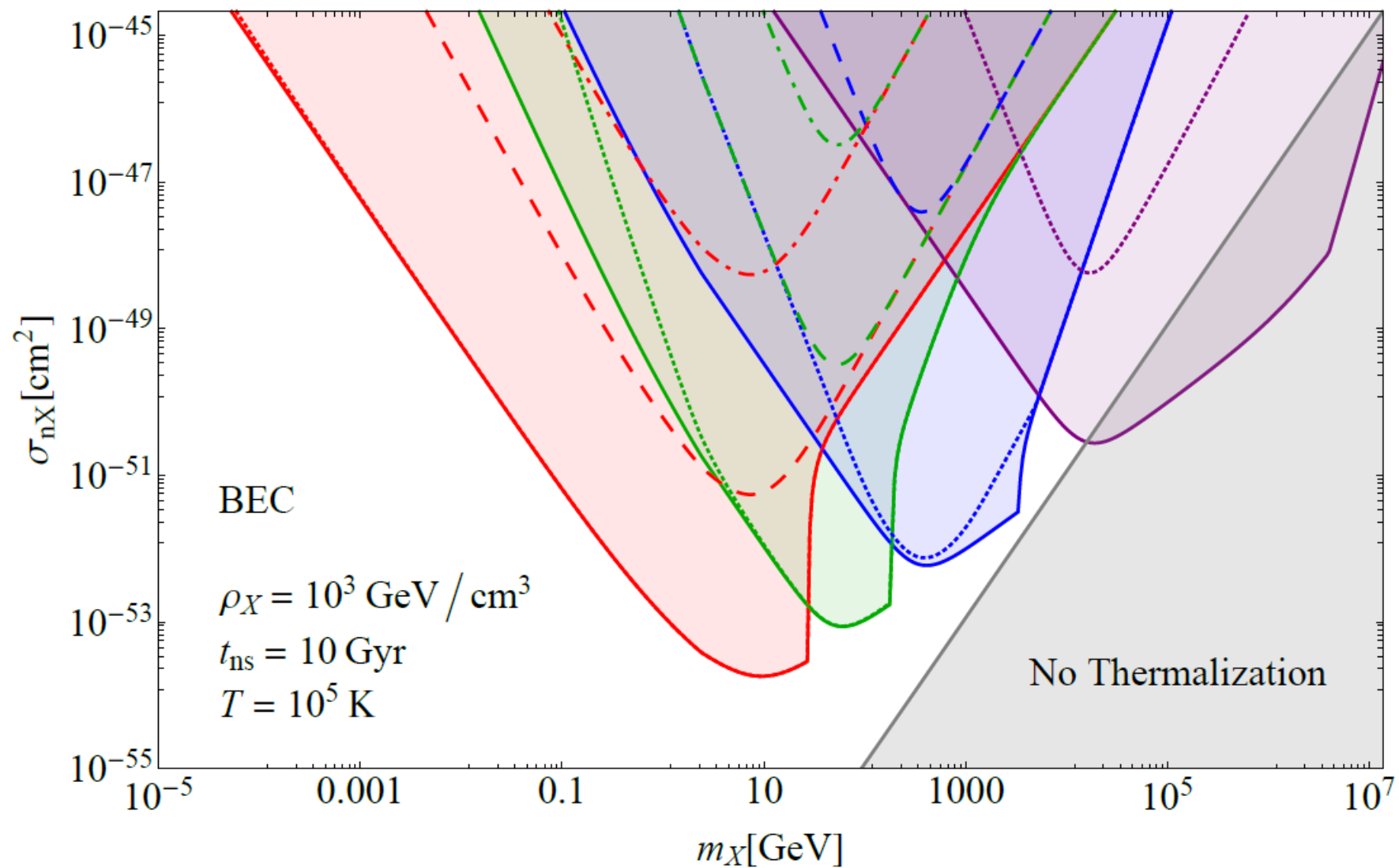
This all boils down to

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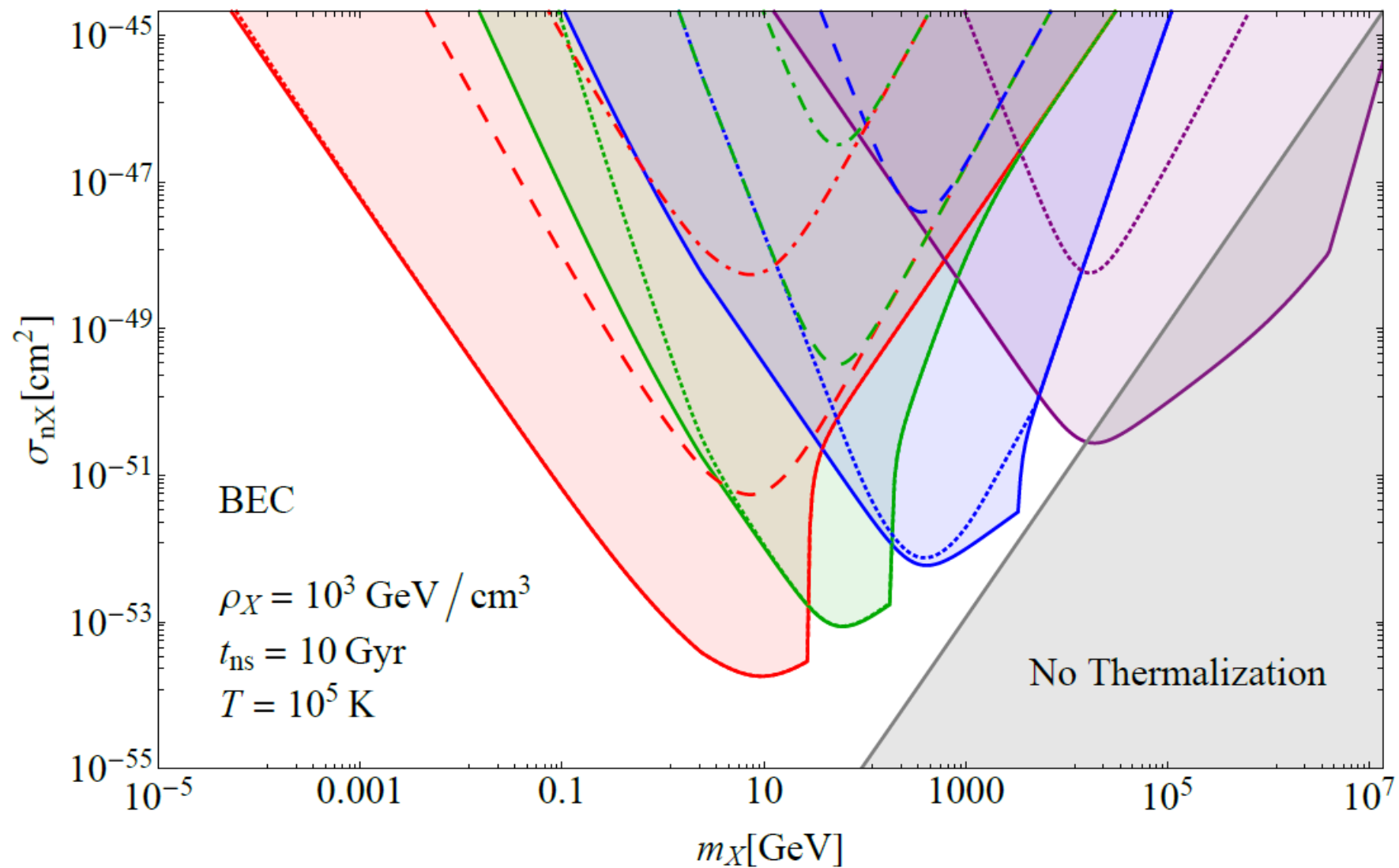
If both statements are true, there is a bound on dark matter.



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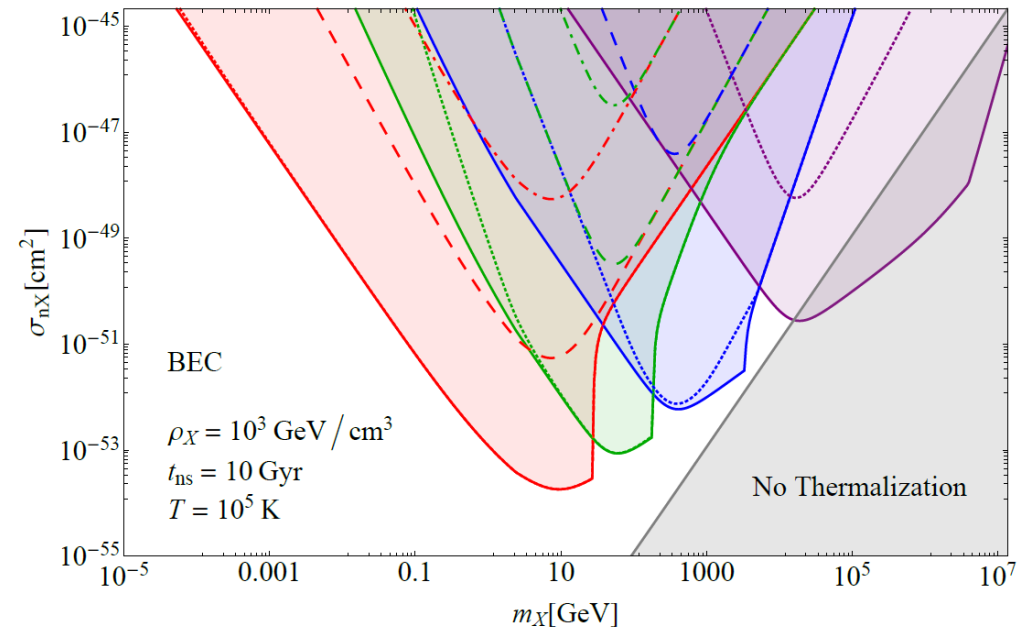
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Boson Bounds

- Bosonic dark matter with **small repulsive self-interaction** is bounded at higher masses.
- Any dark matter bosons discovered at detectors in the next decade must self-interact or **annihilate**.
- ...however the required annihilation cross-section is **smaller** than indirect searches can currently probe (**1/100 of a picobarn**).
- The required small annihilation cross-section has consequences for freeze-out dynamics and symmetries in model building.



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Ok, so if you want dark matter to be
stable/non-annihilating/asymmetric...

make it fermionic?

Actually:

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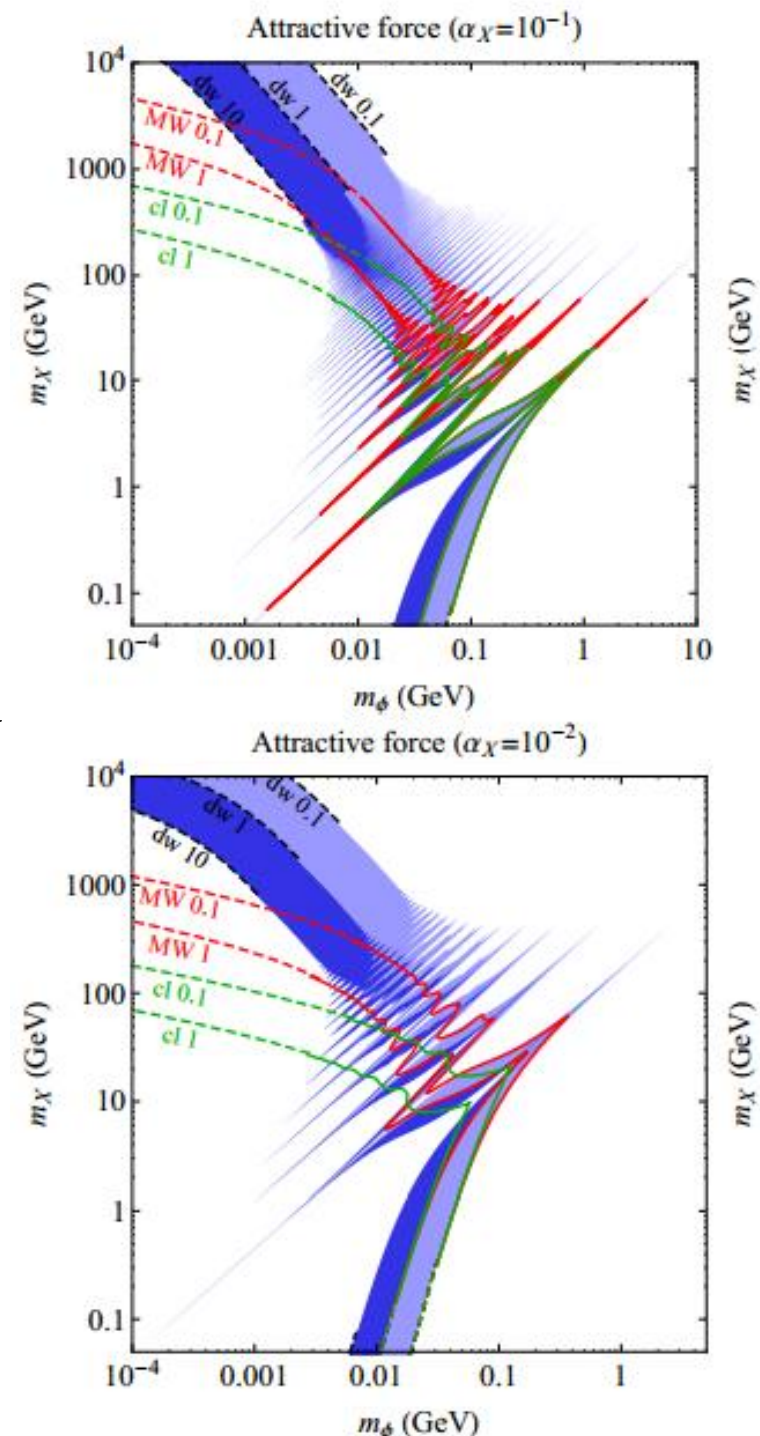
SIDM Fermions

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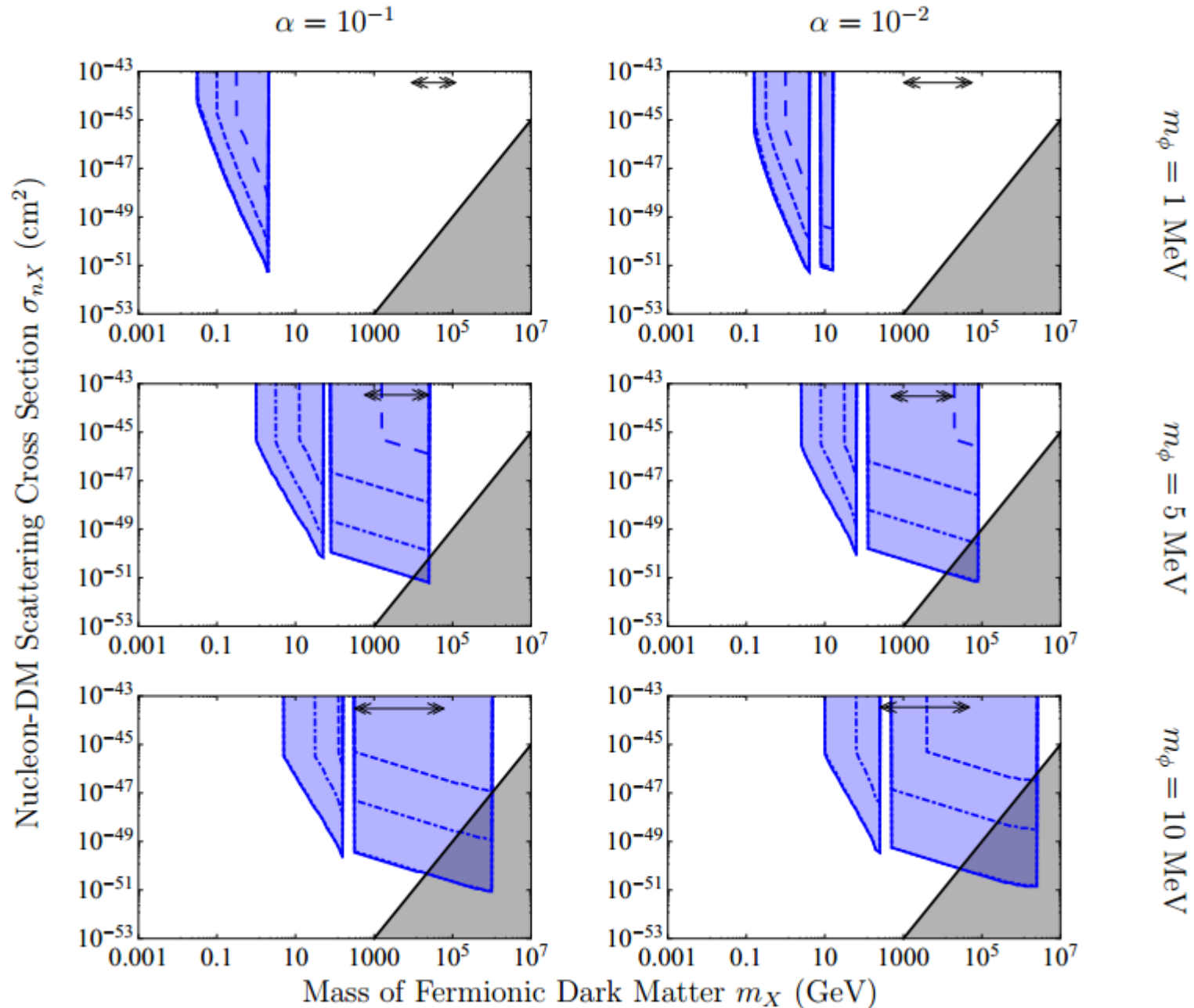
$$V(r) = \pm \frac{\alpha_X}{r} e^{-m_\phi r}$$

Light mediators give velocity-dependent cross-sections.

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{int}} = \begin{cases} g_X \bar{X} \gamma^\mu X \phi_\mu & \text{vector mediator} \\ g_X \bar{X} X \phi & \text{scalar mediator} \end{cases}$$



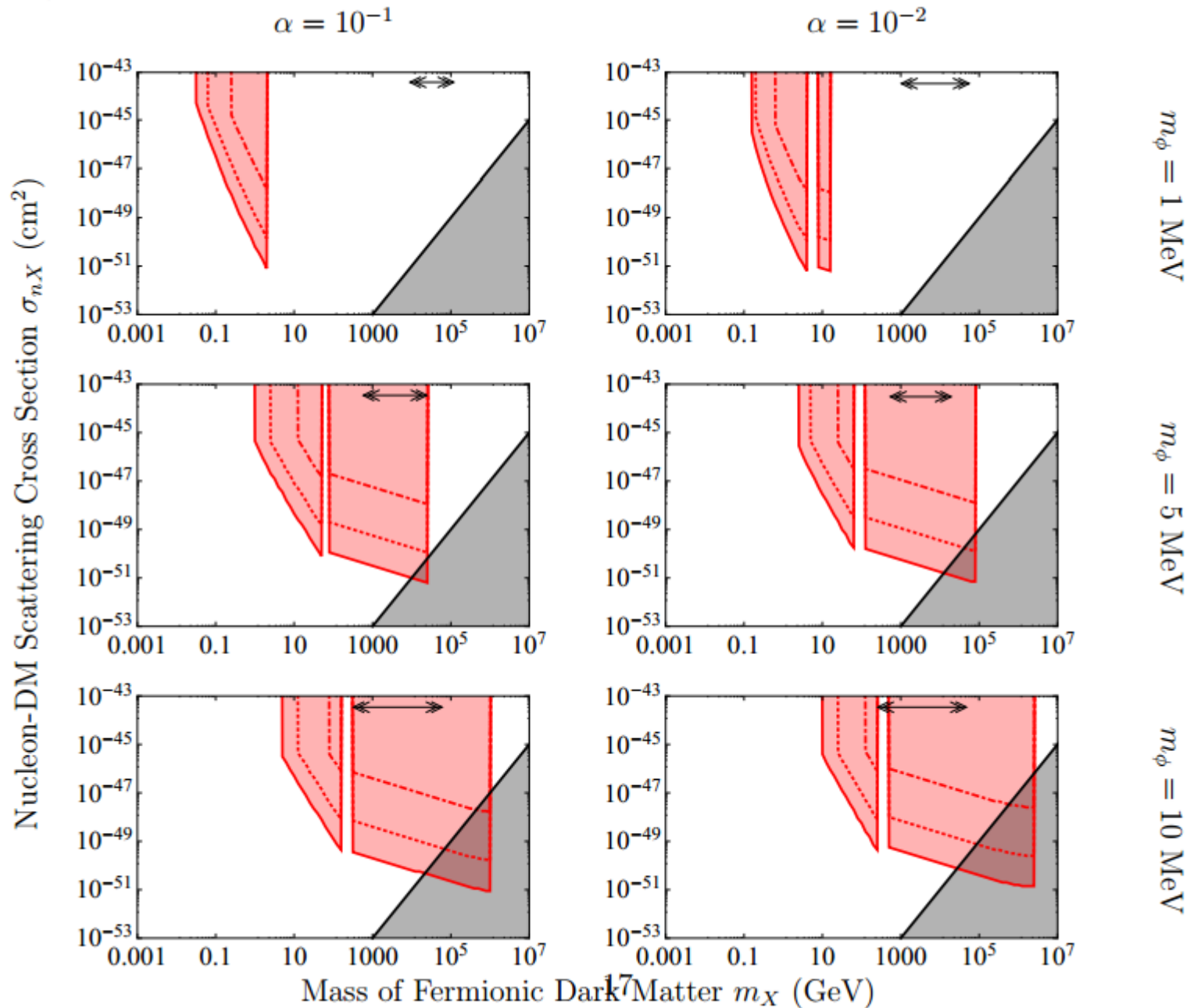
Bounds on SIDM Fermions, S-A



10^{-43} , 10^{-45} , 10^{-47} cm³ /s

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Bounds on SIDM Fermions, C-A



$10^{-55}, 10^{-53} \text{ cm}^3/\text{s}$

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Final Thoughts

- Neutron stars serve as laboratories for establishing relationships between dark matter couplings.
- Future work: Apply EFT to interactions and compute scattering, thermalization, collapse for specific dark matter models – continue on with precision neutron star bounds.

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Bonus Slides!

Self-Annihilation/Co-Annihilation

S-A is density dependent, 2nd order differential eq. that can be solved analytically.

$$N_{\text{acc}}(t) \approx \sqrt{\frac{C_X V_{th}}{\langle \sigma_a v \rangle}} \tanh \left[\sqrt{\frac{C_X \langle \sigma_a v \rangle}{V_{th}}} t \right], \quad (t \leq t_{\text{non-deg.}})$$

Exception: the DM is degenerate.

$$\frac{dN_{\text{acc}}}{dt} \approx C_X - \frac{\sqrt{2} \langle \sigma_a v \rangle (G \rho_b m_X^2)^{3/4} N_{\text{acc}}^{3/2}}{(3\pi)^{3/4}}. \quad (t \geq t_{\text{non-deg.}})$$

C-A provides a constant background

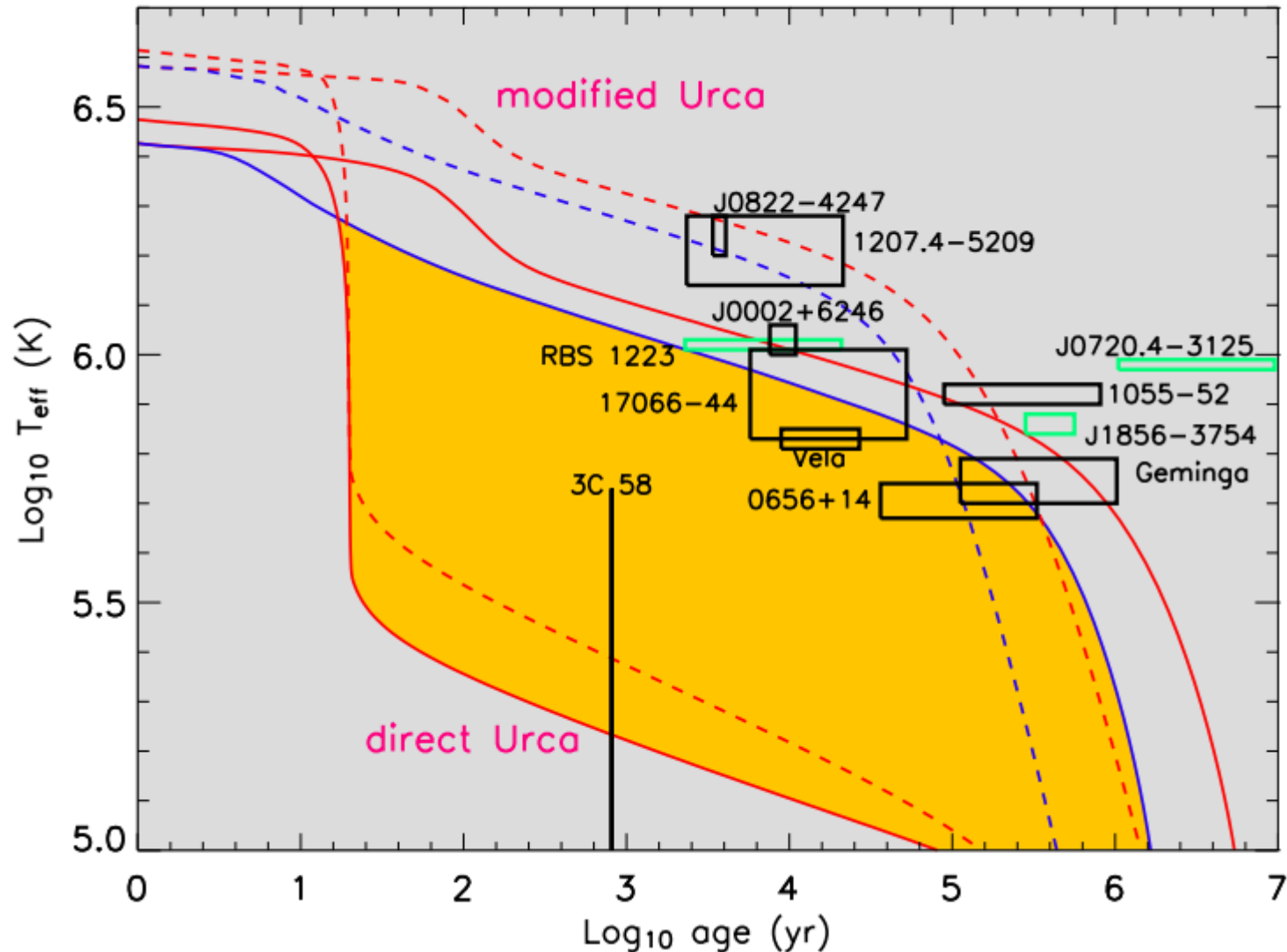
$$N_{\text{acc,coann.}} = \frac{C_X}{n_B \langle \sigma_a v \rangle_{co}} (1 - e^{-t_{ns} n_B \langle \sigma_a v \rangle_{co}})$$

How old and how hot are neutron stars?

PSR J0437-4715

- 0.3 GeV/cm^3 local DM density
- 7 Gyr old
- 10^6 K core temperature

Manchester et al. (2005)



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